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COMMENT OF THE DAY

What Is Behind The Offer?

THE real design behind Russia's offer to become associated with the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation opens up a wide field of speculation, yet the proposal can be regarded as a not illogical sequel to the Berlin Big Four conference. At Berlin, Mr Eden's plan for ensuring the security of Europe, including that of Soviet Russia, was rejected by Mr Molotov because of the existence of NATO, while the Big Three had no alternative but to turn down the Soviet all-Europe collective security scheme because it expressly forbade its signatories from being associated with any other alliance considered inimical to the interests and purposes of the proposed Russian pact, e.g. the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation. In effect, therefore, Soviet Russia has come along with what it considers to be a quid pro quo compromise—Russian association with NATO in return for the Big Three's participation in an all-Europe collective security agreement. It is a curiously naive proposition to emerge from such a fertile and subtle mind as Mr Molotov's, and that is why its real meaning is not readily discernible.

It does, of course, provide some first-class propaganda material for the Communists whose countries are members of NATO, and it may make an impression on the minds of those Frenchmen, Italians and West Germans who are wavering in their convictions as to the benefits to be derived from the European Defence Community pact. Yet it requires little imagination to appreciate the incongruousness of the Russian proposal. NATO is itself a collective security alliance which owes its creation solely to the aggressive expansion of Soviet Russia in Eastern and Central Europe during the last eight years, and Mr Molotov would be the last man seriously to suggest that Russia considers an all-Europe collective security pact to be complementary to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation. NATO, EDC and anything else contributing to the solidarity of the West, economically, militarily, or spiritually, is anathema to Russia because it is the one factor which stands in the way of militant Communism overrunning the free countries of Europe.

THE latest Soviet overtures cannot be dismissed as a childish piece of ingenuousness. There is, assuredly, a tangible purpose behind the gesture though it may be some time before it makes itself apparent. It is unlikely the move is engendered by fear, any more than it is motivated by a genuine desire to compose East-West international differences. Its main purpose may be propaganda—another endeavour to convince the more credulous people of the world that the only constructive and concrete proposals for achieving a lessening of international tension emanate from Russia. Or it may have a more sinister intention; that of giving notice this is the last "peaceful approach" to the political problems of the day which the Kremlin intends to make. Blackmail is part of the Communists' stock-in-trade and they have applied it in the international field during past years with varying success. Which knowledge makes it all the more imperative that the West should resist any blandishments which could serve the purpose of weakening its solidarity.

BIG THREE H-BOMB TALKS URGED

Opposition's Motion For Commons INVITES GOVT TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE

London, Apr. 1. The Labour Opposition decided tonight to call on the British Government to take the initiative in promoting a Big Three (U.S., Britain and Russia) conference to consider anew the control and reduction of armaments.

It is to present a motion for Parliament's H-bomb debate on Monday.

The motion, put forward by the official Labour Party leaders, was quickly accepted by a private meeting of the 292-member Labour Opposition. It was hailed as a triumph for Mr Clement Attlee, the Party chief, who is reported to have drafted it personally.

Mr Attlee and his principal lieutenants sought to provide a resolution that would win wide approval from the House of Commons and avert embarrassment to the Government in its delicate exchanges with the United States and the H-bomb issue.

Other elements in the party had been seeking some more critical formula which would have forced Labour into voting against the Government.

The Labour motion said it recognised that the hydrogen bomb with its immense range and power as disclosed by recent experiments constituted "a grave threat to civilisation."

Any recourse to war might lead to its use.

The party therefore asked Parliament to "welcome an immediate initiative by the British Government to bring about a top-level meeting of Britain, the United States and Russia 'to consider anew the problem of the reduction and control of armaments.'"

Such a meeting, it said, could try to devise positive policies and means for removing from the peoples of the world the fear which now oppresses them, and for the strengthening of collective peace through the United Nations Organisation.

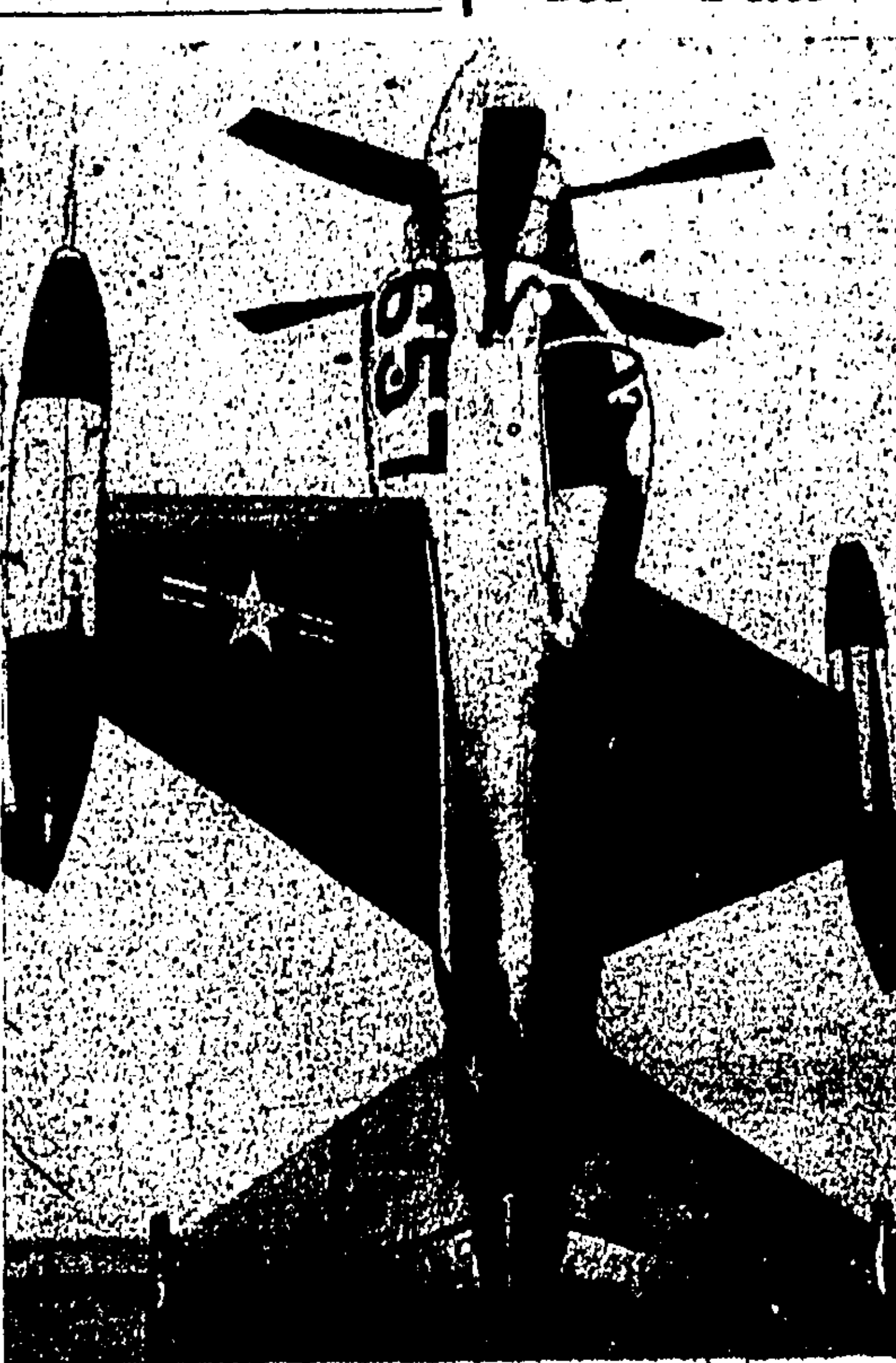
The official leaders met ahead of the meeting of the full party to put the motion into final shape. Mr Attlee will open Monday's debate on it. Sir Winston Churchill will follow with a speech in which he will state Government policy.

THE CLIMAX

The debate will form the climax of a sustained Labour outcry against the United States H-bomb explosions last month at Bikini atoll in the Pacific Ocean.

It was learned tonight that the Labour leaders are hopeful the Government will feel able to allow the Opposition resolution to go through without a vote.

Mr Attlee so framed it that it does not "demand" an im-



This new fighter plane—able to take off and land vertically—was manufactured by the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation for the United States Navy. Powered by twin jet turbines harnessed to contra-rotating propellers, the XFV-1 can, (1) take off vertically from a standing start on its tail, (2) level off to fly and fight at very high speeds, (3) hover stationary in the air and descend for a pinpoint landing by backing straight down.—London Express.

"L'affaire Juin" Raises Storm In Parliament

Paris, Apr. 2. Premier Joseph Laniel last night stood firm in the face of a volley of Parliamentary questions on the dismissal of Marshal Alphonse Juin, France's No. 1 soldier.

M. Laniel gave a divided Chamber of Deputies the Government's version of "l'affaire Juin" which is blowing up into a French version of the "MacArthur affair" in the United States in 1951.

He said the Government had "no choice" but to relieve the Marshal after he had repeated at a dinner on Wednesday night the anti-EDC remarks he had made before a group of reserve officers at Auxerre last Saturday.

But in the face of heavy questioning the Premier maintained that the relieving of Marshal Juin had nothing to do with his position against the European Army plan.

"In all this affair there is no question of being for or against EDC," M. Laniel said. "It is a question of whether a servant of the state owes obedience to the state."

(The Government took its drastic action against France's only living Marshal on grounds that he had ignored a 1939 order saying that army officers may

not make political speeches without seeking approval from the Government. Marshal Juin did not consult the Defence Minister before delivering his controversial remarks.)

M. Laniel also said that if the Marshal had asked permission to free his conscience it would have been granted. He might not, however, have been allowed to "free his conscience" while holding his former high military posts.

The Premier said he had tried several times to get Marshal Juin to come to explain his conduct—even sending his top secretary (whom Marshal Juin refused to see) and lavishing the soldier to use a secret door to avoid newspapermen's questions.

He said Marshal Juin had objected to being "called on the carpet like a private soldier" and resented the fact that the summons had been leaked to the press.

Before the Premier spoke, Moderate Conservative Jacques Isorni, who acted as defence counsel for the late Marshal Petain, rebuked the Government for losing its "sang froid" and acting precipitately.

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Dien Bien Phu Defenders Make Urgent Appeal For Reinforcements

Hanoi, Apr. 1. Dien Bien Phu's stand-or-die commander called tonight for "urgent" reinforcements to save the battered outpost.

Colonel Christian de Castries, the French officer charged with holding Dien Bien Phu, sent word after a day of Communist attacks that the shell-torn city could be saved if help arrived.

A spokesman for the Supreme Commander, General Henri Eugene Navarre, said he had replied that every effort would be made to get reinforcements and supplies through the Communist anti-aircraft fire ringing Dien Bien Phu. But the spokesman warned that the anti-aircraft barrage and the rebels' nearness to the city's inner lines would make a relief effort exceedingly difficult.

Communist besieging forces crashed through the north-eastern defences of Dien Bien Phu today and seized a short-lived foothold on the airfield at the heart of the French fortress.

Colonel de Castries' outnumbered garrison battled desperately tonight against waves of howling shock troops trying to widen the breach and flood in force on to the landing strip.

The High Command said "violent battles" raged all day. The swaying struggle was said to be "very confused."

The biggest pitched battle of the Indo-China War came through its 48th hour with the central cluster of French fortifications reported holding firmly except in the northeast.

French officials estimated that this second great assault on Dien Bien Phu had cost the Reds some 6,000 casualties, including 1,000 dead, boosting their losses in the 20-day siege to more than 20,000.

French losses have not been reported, but officials admitted they were bound to be high.

Attacking three divisions strong, the Reds seized three defence positions in their punishing onslaught from the north-east and lodged a small group of shock troops on the airfield. The group was promptly annihilated.

With censorship blotting out details, a military spokesman said about one-third of the northeastern defence position of the fortress was in the hands of the Communist Vietnamese troops.

Terse dispatches from Dien Bien Phu said furious battles went on most of the day along the eastern side of the stadium-shaped valley.

French Union troops counter-attacked to try to regain one lost stronghold. At the end of the afternoon came a terse message: "We attained almost all of our objectives."

At one crucial stage of the showdown battle, a battalion of the natives in the polyglot garrison cracked up under the artillery fire. An officer said they simply could not take the fire of an intensely unknown to them, and died for eileter.

Rebel artillery pounded at two resistance centres on the east side of Dien Bien Phu while French guns lashed back at the batteries sheltered in the encircling hills.

AN INFERNO
Airmen back from all-day bombing and strafing missions said the six-by-four-mile basin was an inferno of smoke and flame.

French officials acknowledged that "several" of their planes were shot down in desperate attempts to parachute the supplies to the defenders. Still others, trying to sneak into the battered airstrip, were blasted apart on the steel matting.

Reinforcements of 25 American B-26 light bombers were expected at any time in Hanoi. Officials said they were promised by President Eisenhower last week.

Stories of the heroic defence of Dien Bien Phu were beginning to filter through. One gunner's corporal, his position overrun by a score of Reds and his crew all dead, ignored a surgeon's order to be amputated.

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Poisoning Trial Woman Wins Provisional Freedom

Bordeaux, Apr. 1. The audience gasped when President of the Court de Pourquerey de Dolle announced this afternoon, in the crowded court room here, that Marie Besnard, accused of poisoning six people, was granted provisional freedom, and that her trial—the second since she was imprisoned in 1947—was again postponed.

Her bail was set at 1,200,000 francs (about US\$3,600).

Three new experts in toxicology have been appointed. They will be asked to state at a future session of the "Cours d'Assise," the French Criminal Court, whether Marie Besnard, nicknamed "the kind lady of London," administered arsenic to most of her relatives in order to inherit from them, or whether the arsenic found in their remains, particularly in the hair, could have been brought by subterranean waters and bacteria.

When the Court announced its decision, Marie Besnard kissed her hard-working lawyers who had threatened to walk out of the case if their client was not set free.

The new postponement of Marie Besnard's marathon case came after a new expert, Professor Louis Truffert, had told the Court today of completely new experiments, showing that human hair could be impregnated by arsenic dissolved in water.

This had shattered the theories of the official experts called by the Prosecution, who said that arsenic found in the hair was necessarily absorbed by the victims.—France-Press.

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Lady Churchill Celebrates Birthday

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She is being treated for neuritis in the arm. Although there was no elaborate birthday party, the Churchill family gathered at Lady Churchill's bedside to help her eat a 16-pound cake.

The cake, made by a Hungarian bakery which makes the Churchill's celebration confectionary, was pale green, decorated with a flower garden and a croquet pitch—two of Lady Churchill's favourite relaxations.

Inscribed on the cake was this verse composed by the baker's son: "You stand mayhap in the shadow of the man who, with your undoubted help, history has made. You stand demurely and becomingly, and dignify that very shade."—China Mail Special.

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Ho Chi-Minh's Reported Secret Agreement With Red China

Washington, Apr. 1. Usually reliable diplomatic sources said today that the Vietnamese Communist leader, Ho Chi-Minh, was reported to have granted Communist China the same rights in the port of Haiphong in Vietnam as Soviet Russia enjoy in Dairen and Port Arthur.

They understood this secret agreement had been reached on the understanding that Communist China would demand at the Geneva conference, as part of the armistice arrangements, that most of Tonkin in Vietnam should be ruled by Ho Chi-Minh if separate areas should be set up between the Vietnamese Government and the Vietnamese Communist regime.

They said Communist China considered that Haiphong is the natural port for the products of the Chinese provinces of Yunnan and the other side of the Vietnam border.

They also said the United States and Britain would favour official representatives of Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos, at the Geneva conference, when Indo-China is discussed, but France so far has not been able to state whether they would be full delegates or observers.

It was understood that the Premier of Vietnam, Pham

Buu-Loc, who recently returned from Paris to Saigon, is having talks there on this subject, as to whether Vietnam wants full representation in Geneva.

The sources pointed out that if the three Associated States had full representation, then the Vietnamese would have a right to be represented at the conference table but that would not constitute formal recognition of the Ho Chi-Minh regime.—United Press.

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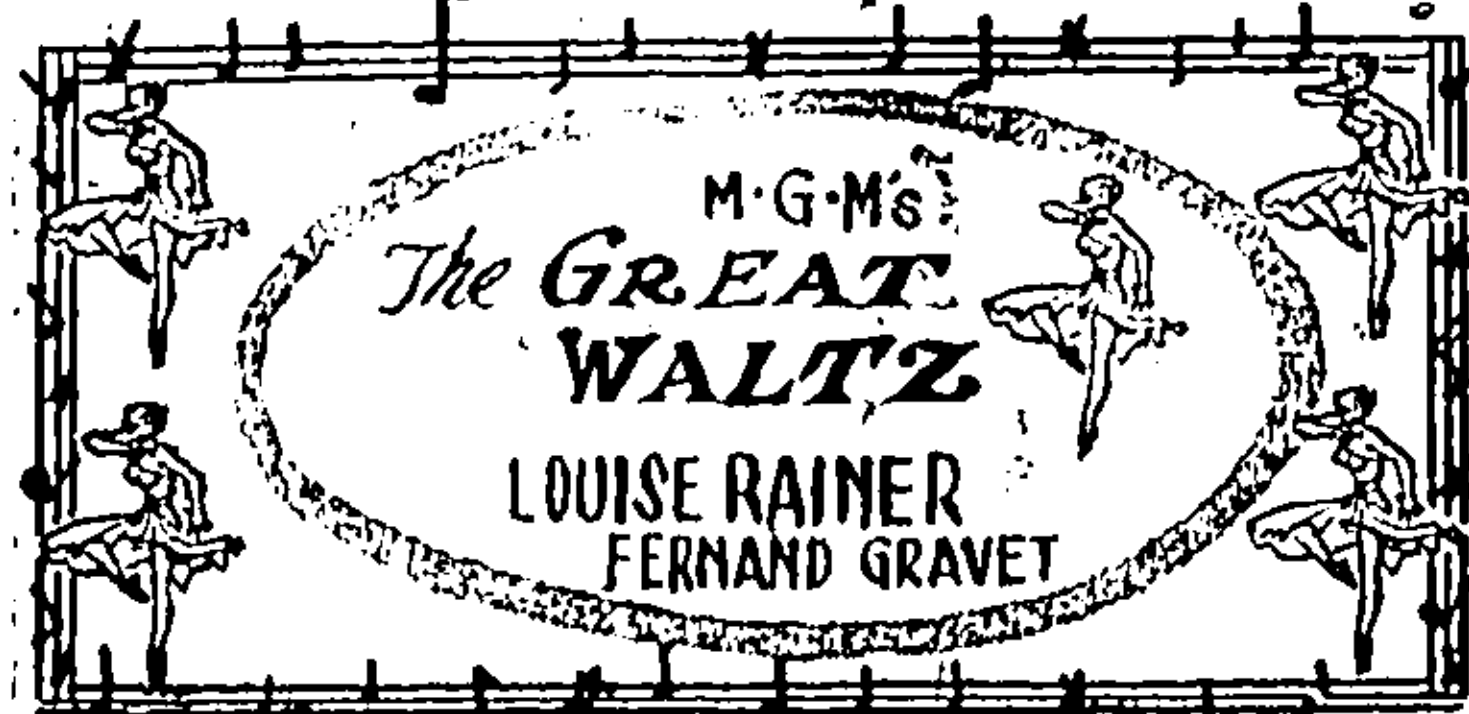
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TWO SEPARATE ISSUES AT GENEVA

Korean Talks Failure Would Not Prevent Indo-China Discussion

Washington, Apr. 1.

The United States could walk out of the discussions on a Korean peace settlement but still continue to discuss a cease-fire in Indo-China at the forthcoming Geneva conference, an American State Department official said today.

The State Department's spokesman, Mr. Henry Suydam, said the Korean and Indo-Chinese phases may overlap to this extent.

Replying to questions at a news conference, he said that the American agreement with South Korea to consider walking out of the Korean talks if they prove to be getting nowhere after 90 days was still in force.

That agreement was reached at the Washington and Seoul Governments prepared for the Korean political conference before the Big Four agreed to talk about both Korea and Indo-China at Geneva. However the United States would not automatically withdraw but only consider withdrawing, he said.

Mr. Suydam said that the Korean phase of the Geneva talks would, in effect, be the Korean political conference which the negotiators at Panmunjom tried unsuccessfully to arrange. He added that the United States does not expect the Korean talks to last as long as 90 days.

Mr. Suydam was told about a Moscow news dispatch quoting a Pravda article which said that Communist China will be attending the Geneva conference on an equal basis with the other Big Powers.

Mr. Suydam replied by quoting statements by the Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, at Berlin and subsequently that Red China will not be coming as one of the five Great Powers.

He pointed out that Mr. Dulles reported persistent efforts by the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr.

V. M. Molotov, at Berlin to secure such a status for Red China.

VIETNAM INVITED?

Mr. Suydam said that the invitations to the Indo-Chinese phase of the Geneva talks have not yet been sent out. He said he did not know when they would be sent out. Mr. Dulles has emphasized, the spokesman added, that the Indo-China phase was the primary responsibility of France.

"I do not want to comment on the responsibilities of the French Government," Mr. Suydam added.

Mr. Suydam was asked to state the United States' position on whether invitations for the Indo-China talks should be sent to the Vietnamese, who are fighting the French forces and those of the Associated States.

"I can't answer that question," Mr. Suydam replied.

Mr. Suydam said he has not heard of any suggestions that the United States would want to agree in advance how long the Geneva conference should last.

He said there was no such prior agreement at Berlin. What happened, he said, was that as the Berlin talks hit obstacles Mr. Dulles suggested that the remaining time before his scheduled departure for the Inter-American Conference at Caracas be allocated for specific subjects. This was done, the spokesman said.—United Press.

Korea's Misgivings

Washington, Apr. 1.

The Korean Ambassador to America, Mr. Y. C. Yang, today declared that South Korea had serious "misgivings" about the forthcoming Geneva conference on the Far East and fears that the Communists would use the occasion to make propaganda to confuse the Allies.

Speaking at a luncheon at the National Press Club, Mr. Yang asked, "What did we fight for when the Big Four agreed on the point of asking both aggressors—Russia and China—to have a seat at the table at Geneva?"

The South Korean Government has not yet officially accepted the American invitation to the Geneva conference but is expected to do so.

Mr. Yang said, "Korea now lies stark and barren before you, not because of an act of God or providence, like an earthquake, but because of an act of a little group of wicked men in the Kremlin in Moscow. Now some of these men will be on hand at the Geneva conference."

Mr. Yang complained about the Soviet Union, being a con-

ference sponsor. "They are not in there as an aggressor—as we Koreans wished to term them—but they are in there as one of the Big Four, the United States, Britain and France. Peace, it's wonderful!" he said.

He went on, "I only hope there are enough men's rooms in Geneva so that they may wash their blood-drenched hands before they sit down at the council table with an under-clothes ball to surmount, at the proper time, their stogies, the Red Chinese."

Recalling the numerous Korean unification conferences between the Russians and the Americans before the conflict broke out in June, 1950, Mr. Yang pointed out that they had made no headway whatsoever.

"On the basis of past performance, therefore, what do you think one more talk with the Russians will result in?" he asked.

Declaring that his country has "paid a heavier price than any other people since the dawn of time," Mr. Yang said that, nevertheless, it had emerged with the "largest battle-proven anti-Communist army in the world today."—United Press.

More Shops, More Clothes in Russia

London, Apr. 1.
Russians will be able to choose from five thousand new styles of clothes, about three thousand new styles of shoes and 800 new patterns of silk fabrics this year, the Soviet news agency Tass said today.

The people of the Soviet Union bought 21 per cent more goods last year than in 1952.

Already this year 2,600 new shops had been opened and 8,000 more would be opened by the end of the year.—China Mail Special.

Churchill's Cautious Reply

London, Apr. 1.
Sir Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister, parried Socialist attempts in the House of Commons today to get him to comment on reported American representations that the proposed British list of articles for East-West trade should be reduced.

He referred his questioners to yesterday's statement by Mr. Peter Thornycroft, President of the Board of Trade, on the agreement reached between Britain, France and America to exchange strategic controls.

Mr. Phillips Price (Labour) asked: "Do you agree it is desirable that if the expansion of East-West trade should be part of a more general settlement with the Soviet Union then Russia should 'give something as well as take something'?"

Members cheered when the Prime Minister replied: "Yes, sir," and added: "All expansion and every transaction towards a better state of affairs are to be welcomed."—Reuter.

Egyptian Woman Fasts



Dr. Doris Shafik (38) who with twenty companions went on a hunger strike in an effort to persuade the authorities to allow women to vote for the Constituent Assembly of the new Egypt. President Nasser sent his legal adviser, Dr. Hafiz, to beg the women to end their fast in the hope that the Constituent Assembly, even if elected only by men, would confer electoral rights on women. The plea was in vain. Among many telegrams received by the Egyptian Suffragettes was one from Dr. Edith Summerskill, the British Socialist Member of Parliament in which Dr. Summerskill said "Many British women watch with sympathy your courageous efforts to secure democratic rights."—Express Photo.

Attack On Jordan Frontier Village

Lebanon Asks For Meeting Of Security Council

New York, Apr. 1.

The Lebanon today requested a meeting of the United Nations Security Council to consider an attack made earlier this week on the Jordan frontier village of Nahaleen allegedly by Israelis.

The Lebanese delegate made the request to Russian Andrei Vyshinsky, current President of the Security Council.

Lebanon asked for the meeting on behalf of Jordan. Nine Jordanians were killed in the attack.

Mr. Edward A. Rizk, alternate Lebanese delegate, asked for "urgent" consideration of the matter in his letter to Mr. Vyshinsky.

The Soviet Foreign Minister has not so far set a date for the Council to meet but it could assemble at any time from tomorrow.—Reuter.

Chinese Deportees Arrive in Canton

Paris, Apr. 1.
The Communist New China News Agency reported today that 314 Chinese nationals "illegally deported" from Malaya by the British authorities, had arrived in Canton on March 29.

The Agency said this was the 29th batch of such Chinese deportees.—France-Press.

Another German Ship Coming To The Far East

Hamburg, Apr. 1.
The 8,000-ton Hamburg flagship of the West German Hamburg-America line, left here today for Yokohama on her maiden trip.

The Hamburg is the first of three freighter-passenger ships to be put into service by the company. She accommodates 83 passengers.

The Frankfurt will be put into service on July 15 and the Hanover later this year.

The Schwabenstein, also a freighter-passenger vessel which opened the East Asian lines served jointly by Hamburg-America and the Norddeutscher Lloyd, is expected back from her first trip on May 18.—Reuter.

Lord Montagu's Friend Found Not Guilty

Winchester, Hampshire, Apr. 1.

Mr Kenneth Edwin Hume, 27, a film director, on the direction of the Judge, was found not guilty in court today on two charges of indecent assault against boy scouts.

The prosecution offered no evidence against him and he was discharged.

Prosecuting Counsel pointed out that the witnesses included the two boys who gave evidence and were cross-examined at Winchester last December when Lord Montagu was acquitted on one charge and a jury failed to reach agreement on a second against him relating to one of the boys.

The court last week ordered the indictment against Lord Montagu on which the jury had disagreed to remain on the file. No further proceeding was to be taken without leave of the court.

The Counsel for Mr. Hume said today that he wished it to be known that he denied the charges against him and if the need had arisen, he would have repeated the denial on oath in a court.

The Counsel also said that Mr. Hume had nothing to do with the events mentioned in last week's trial here of Lord Montagu and two other men, and was not one of the unnamed persons then referred to "whose identity was veiled in mystery."

Lord Montagu was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment and Michael Pitt-Rivers and Peter Wilkes to 18 months' imprisonment each at Winchester last week for homosexual offences.—China Mail Special.

Death Of A Chimney-maker

Tokyo, Apr. 1.

A Japanese chimney-maker showing his seven-year-old son how to commit suicide gave a tragically death-like performance.

At the insistence of his son, the Japanese made a hedge and hung it from a ceiling beam.

The father then alighted and hanged himself. — China Mail Special.

Filipino Wants Sydney Legation Closed

Manila, Apr. 1.

Representative Manuel Enverga told the Philippines Congress today that the "White Australia" policy was derogatory to the United Nations charter, precepts and principles.

Mr. Enverga is the leader of a group of Congressmen asking that the Philippines legation in Sydney, Australia, be closed.

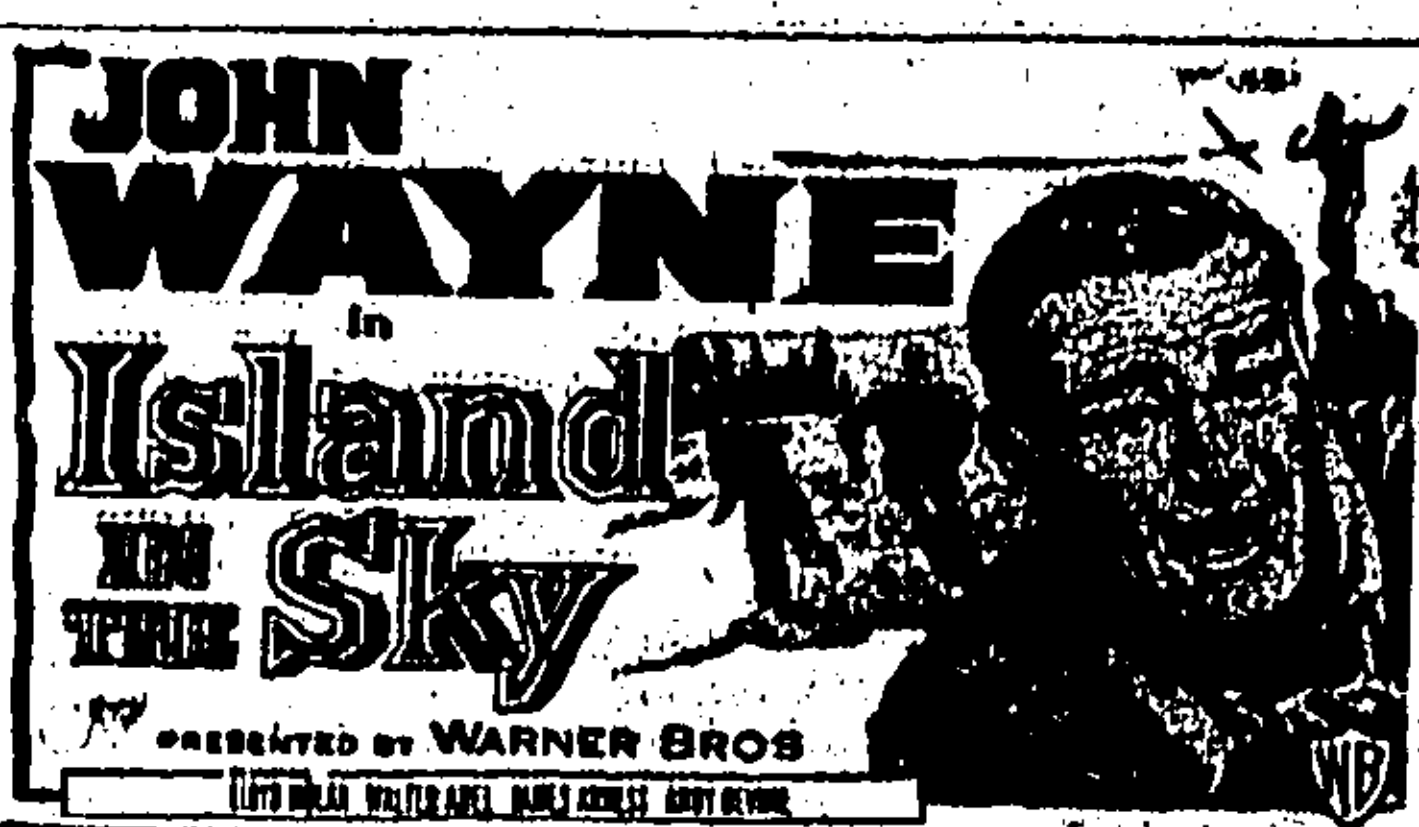
He said: "International understanding, goodwill and friendship among nations cannot thrive in an atmosphere of discrimination on the ground of racial differences. Superiority of the white man is a myth."

"Racial discrimination strengthens the positions of Russia to the weakness of the democracies. This is one argument which causes Asian countries to sympathize with Communism."

He called for the Philippines diplomatic mission in Australia to be transferred to some South-East Asian country and only its trade mission to be maintained there.—Reuter.

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FEARFUL REACTION TO H-BOMB PHOTOS

Horror Of Film, Pictures Rouses New York "SCREAMING" HEADLINES OF CITY NEWSPAPERS

More Important Than McCarthy

Washington, Apr. 1. In the sudden seizure of public attention by the H-bomb, there was still a moment for Press and Radio - TV commentators to notice one small thing. The H-bomb blew Senator Joseph McCarthy out of President Eisenhower's news conference. For the first time in four weeks the Senator was not mentioned at all during the presidential conference.—United Press.

Egypt Refuses To Return Israeli Soldier

Cairo, Apr. 2. Egypt refuses to return the Israeli soldier captured in the Gaza Zone. Lt.-Colonel Mahmoud Riad, head of the Egyptian delegation to the Palestine Armistice Commission, told the Press today.

Lt.-Col Riad said the soldier was captured when Israeli forces attacked the Egyptian border on March 25.

The Armistice Commission, meeting under the American, Mr. Robert H. Imel, in the Egyptian complaint had decided yesterday that Egypt must return the soldier before noon today.

The Commission considered that Egypt had violated the clauses of the Armistice.

Lt.-Col Riad said that this repudiation of the Egyptian complaint by the Commission was contrary to the agreement and that the position taken by the U.N. observers showed that they were under Israeli influence.

The delegate contended that the Israeli soldier would not be returned unless the Egyptian appeal was taken into consideration.—France-Press.

ANOTHER INCIDENT

Tel-Aviv, Apr. 1. Arabs infiltrating from the Egyptian-held Gaza strip opened fire today on an Israeli patrol, an Army spokesman stated here today.

No Israeli casualties were reported, he added. He said Israel had protested to the Mixed Armistice Commission.—France-Press.

New York, Apr. 2. The H-Bomb horror that has aroused Europe and Asia for two weeks was driven home to Americans for the first time today with screaming newspaper headlines, photographs and diagrams depicting what all called "unbelievable."

Not since the first photographs of the atom-bomb test at Bikini Atoll in July, 1945—when cameras caught a ship being sucked up by the bomb's force—have Americans shown such reaction to nuclear experiments.

Yesterday's statements by President Eisenhower and the Atomic Energy Commission Chairman Lewis Strauss touched off demands for the immediate release of the 1952 Hydrogen-bomb pictures which had been scheduled for April 7 showing. One columnist broke the release. Newspapers, radio and television then took matters in their own hands and by mid-morning the 1952 H-bomb story and pictures were spread across the country.

Samples of what impact the news had were:

The New York World Telegram devoted the top half of its paper to H-bomb pictures. Three-fourths of the remaining space was given to H-bomb stories. Another full page of H-bomb photos was published.

A headline in 1 1/2 inch type said: "What the H-Bomb Did." Other page headlines were: "Hell-On-Earth Creation Destroys Beyond Belief" and "No Defence — H-Blast Perils Battle Capital: 'Clear The City' To Be The Cry."

The New York Journal American headlined in red ink: "Film of H-Bomb Horror" and in two-inch black type: "Fiery, Crushing Fury. Sub-headlines included: "Public Must Know The Facts."

The tabloid New York Post published an H-bomb picture on its tabloid front page. Its headlines were: "H-Bomb Alters Civil Defence Plans, City Would Be Evacuated" and "An Island Dies," a reference to the obliteration of Nagasaki in the 1952 test. It called all this "The Grim Truth."

The World Telegram & Sun demanded editorially: "Where do we stand? What does it get us?" It said that the United States was ahead "in this hideous race toward possible extermination only because the

Russians... have been hotly breathing down our necks." It said the United States had gained a weapon which is "an awful deterrent to a war-maker," had gained the capacity for massive retaliation and laid the groundwork for the peaceful use of atom power.

WAVE OF JITTERS

"But what else have we done?" it asked. "We have set off around the world a wave of jitters, perhaps exaggerated, perhaps unjustified... the psychological impact cannot be discounted. It is a factor which must be measured as we take a good, square look at where the H-bomb has brought us. That re-appraisal now is necessary."

All the leading Press, radio and TV commentators devoted themselves to the H-bomb today. From the earliest network Radio-TV programmes at 7 a.m.—the hour when Americans are beginning the day the H-bomb story was told over and over again.

The stress was on the grim facts brought home yesterday by Mr. Strauss that there is "no defence" for any city. Civilian defence plans which called for home-shelter and partial evacuation measures were called "obsolete." Only "total evacuation" of cities would save people, the experts told the public.

This hit hard in the big cities. But as yet there was no reaction from outlying areas which would be covered by the H-bomb "fall-out" range of atom dust.

Americans had the H-bomb power described in graphic terms. The 1952 H-bomb cloud would rise 40 times as high as the Eiffel Tower, three times as high as Mount Blanc. The crater it blasted in the floor of the ocean would hold 74 structures the size of the Roman Colosseum.

"Save The People"

Washington, Apr. 1. Civil defence officials hoped today that the awesome prospect of a single bomb knocking out a major city would help their campaign to prepare the nation for the H-bomb era.

They do not want to capitalise on fear. But they hoped that the headlines would drive home the idea that it is better to prepare now than to be sorry later if the bombs begin to fall.

Evacuation of the target area before the bombs can drop is a key point in the planning of the Federal Civil Defence Administration, Mr. Val Peterson.

"The only alternative," as Mr. Peterson sees it, is to dig underground vast catacombs of steel and concrete which would cost billions of dollars and take years to build. Congress has hesitated to provide money for such underground shelters.

Nor is the country prepared for evacuation. Peterson thinks it would take a minimum of two hours' warning to get people out of critical target areas. The best he could hope for, on the basis of present continental defenses, is about 10 minutes. There is no guarantee of any warning at all.

Civil defence planners estimated it would be another 10 months to two years before they can reasonably hope to save the

These figures were for the 1952 bomb. The March 1, 1953 H-bomb was far more powerful. The destruction area of the 1953 bomb in a big city would cover a radius of three miles, with moderate damage out to seven miles and light damage as far as 10 miles. If dropped from a plane, however, and exploded at an altitude of 2,000 feet, the bomb's destruction would spread over a radius of four miles or an area of 60 square miles, with severe damage over a diameter of 16 miles or 200 square miles in area; moderate damage over a diameter of 28 miles or an area of 600 square miles, and partial damage over a diameter of 32 miles or an area of 800 square miles.

Each city could estimate its own peril. London has an area of 692.9 square miles, Berlin 344, New York 319.1, Tokyo, 221, Moscow 125, Rome 95.8, Cairo 85, Birmingham (England) 80, Paris 41, Bombay 30, Peking 25.

Fire damage from the 1953 bomb would be greater than blast damage, however. The incendiary action would spread over a diameter of 50 miles, the experts said—an area of 2,000 square miles.

Even with these figures just being put forward, reports indicate that the current H-bomb series in the Pacific will end with the explosion of a bomb expected to be twice as powerful as the March 1 bomb.

There was cold comfort in the matter-of-fact assertions that H-bombs can now be built at a "fraction" of previous cost. Materials are used that cost only a few dollars per pound instead of thousands of dollars an ounce. One report said that an H-bomb could be built for \$10. This means that the H-bombs that could be carried in fighter planes and guided missiles as well as giant bombers.—United Press.

to attain a two-hour warning minimum. Even then, it is assumed, some of the attacking planes would get through.

10 MILLION CORPSES "The cities are gone when the bombs go off," Mr. Peterson has said. "But we can save the lives of the people which are more important than the cities. The cities can be re-built. We couldn't replace the people."

That is the reason Mr. Peterson is so intent upon his policy of evacuation. The loss of life in a major city, unless the people fled ahead of the bombs, could run into millions. The exact power of the latest hydrogen bomb is a military secret. But some idea of the potential death and destruction can be obtained from official publications.

The recent annual report of the Civil Defence Administration estimated that one megaton bomb—50 times as powerful as the A-bombs used in World II—would virtually destroy everything within 11 square miles and kill 90 out of every 100 persons in the area. The H-bomb that was exploded in the Pacific testing ground on March 1 has been described as being 12 to 14 megatons—equivalent to 12,000,000 to 14,000,000 tons of TNT.

Discussing recently the possibility of 10,000,000 killed and 10,000,000 hospitalized in the event of a determined Soviet attack, Mr. Peterson asked: "What are you going to do with 10,000,000 corpses?" —United Press.

Naguib's Royal Visitor



The 52-year-old King of Saudi Arabia (left), who succeeded to the throne on the death of his father in November, arrives in Cairo, on a state visit and is welcomed by President Naguib (right). The King's visit lasted a week.—Express Photo.

Mr Harold Stassen Says

'More East-West Trade Might Improve Prospects Of Peace'

Washington, Apr. 1. The Director of the Foreign Operations Administration, Mr. Harold Stassen, said today the British, French, United States agreement to increase East-West trade might improve the prospect for world peace.

Mr. Stassen was reporting to a press conference on his visit to London this week when the three countries agreed on cuts in the present list of goods embargoed for sale to the countries of the Soviet bloc.

Mr. Stassen emphasised that the London talks did not deal with individual items to be taken off the embargoed list but with general principles, definitions and criteria drawn up by technicians of the three countries to consider.

He said it was too early to estimate if the London talks would lead to a substantial increase in East-West trade and added: "There might well be a continuing difference" between the United States and Britain and France but he expressed optimism for final agreement in two or three months' time.

Mr. Stassen said he personally favoured increased sales of peaceful goods by the West to the Soviet Union because he did not consider there was any danger of imminent war.

"If it was considered that there was a strong possibility of World War III breaking out in a matter of months, then any type of goods going across the Iron Curtain could properly be considered to add to some degree to the war potential of the other side," he said.

"But if you approach the problem from the long haul point of view—of great danger, but no imminent danger—then you gauge your total economic policies on the basis that more trade is likely to lead to long-term (Western) strength and on the basis that an increase in the movement of people and goods and contacts might improve the prospect that you might never have a third world-war."

US DEFINITION Mr. Stassen gave this definition of "embargoed" goods: "Items that have direct or significant value in military and nuclear power items which are advanced technologically and therefore have a technological significance in relationship to trade and materials in which there is a critical deficiency inside the Soviet."

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How They Killed Notorious "General Cargo"

Nairobi, Apr. 1. Security forces have killed "General Cargo", one of Kenya's most audacious Mau Mau leaders, and at least 25 other terrorists in a two-day running battle, it was announced here today. Scores of other terrorists have been wounded in running fights which are still going on as security forces pursue the scattered gangs.

"General Cargo", a former Nairobi newspaper seller, was killed with several other terrorists when his gang, pursued by police, ran headlong into a road-block, manned by military police and Kikuyu Home Guards late last night. A 22-year-old District Officer, Ian Frank Patterson, died in one of the clashes yesterday, while leading a platoon of Kikuyu Home Guards.

Patterson had been seconded to the administration only a week ago from the Kenya Regiment. His patrol killed about 15 terrorists before he was wounded in the lung. He died shortly afterwards before doctors and an ambulance called up by radio could reach him.

Almost 700 British troops of the 8th Brigade, police and Kikuyu Home Guards were thrown into the widespread hunt for "General Cargo's" gang—estimated at 200 to 300 strong—in the Fort Hall reserve.

He personally led practically all the raids of his gang and sounded attacks by a fanfare of bugles. A skilful tactician, he often confused defenders of Kikuyu and Home Guard posts by shouting out orders and passwords used by the King's African Rifles.

General "Cargo" was between 30 and 35 years old. Chunkily built, he was about five feet seven inches tall. He was a Corporal in the King's African Rifles in the last war.—Reuter.



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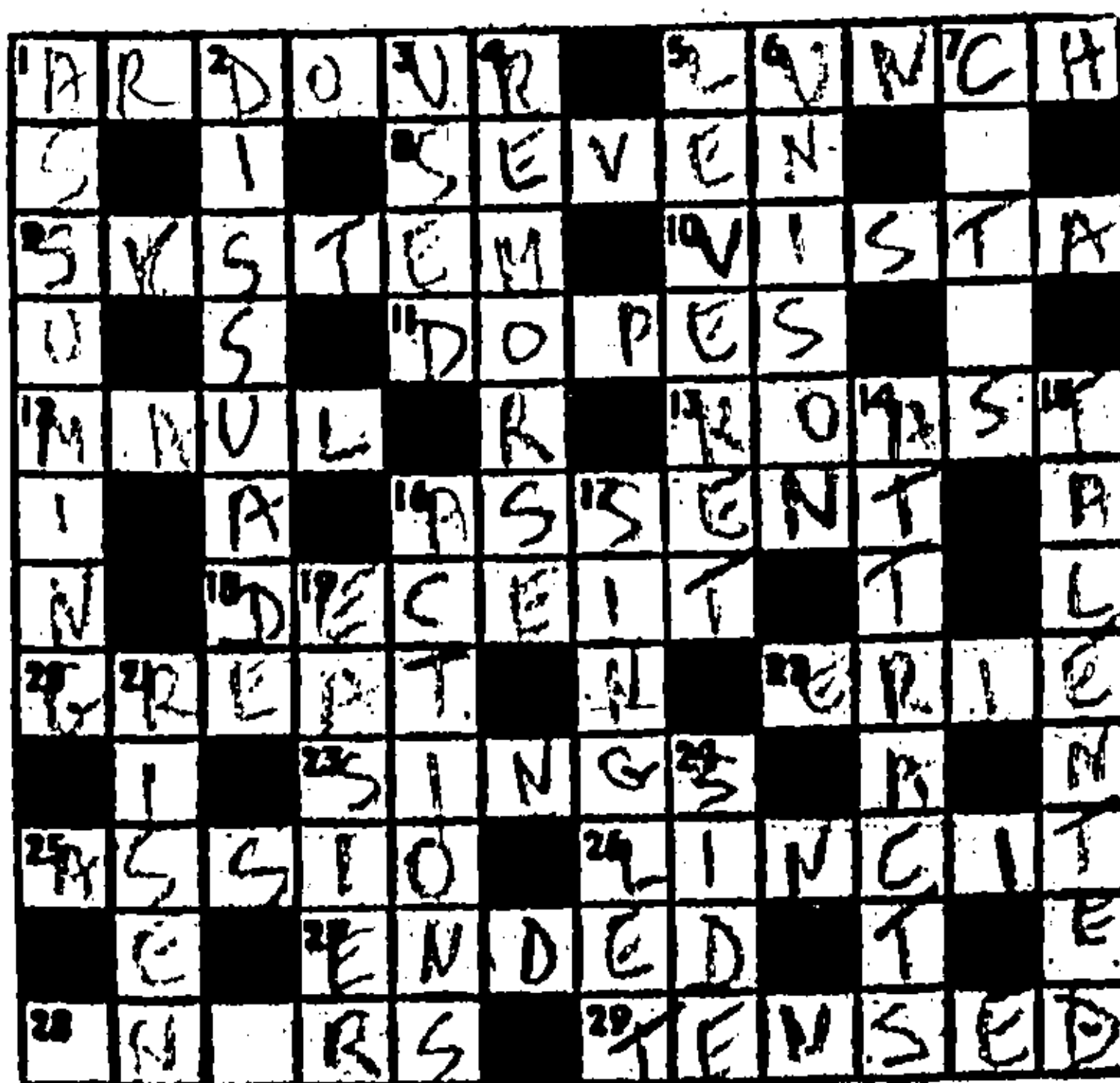
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A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- Zeal (6).
- Meal (5).
- Numeral (5).
- Method (6).
- Watch (6).
- Drugs (6).
- Manhandle (4).
- Cook (5).
- Agree (6).
- Fraud (6).
- Large (6).
- Like (4).
- Chants (5).
- Museum piece (6).
- Sticler (6).
- Finished (6).
- Bastard (6).
- Yacht (5).

DOWN

- Taking for granted (6).
- Advise against (6).
- Accustomed (4).
- Pain of guilt (7).
- Young animal (7).
- Harmony (6).
- Copies (6).
- Essays (6).
- Glitter (6).
- Battles (7).
- Vest (7).
- Not so difficult (6).
- Waken (6).
- Flank (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD — Across: 1. Dope, 5. Look, 9. Utter, 11. Bare, 13. Trade, 14. Vase, 16. Range, 18. Oath, 19. Rent, 20. Landed, 21. Image, 23. Daring, 25. Good, 27. Creek, 29. Menace, Down: 1. Dime, 3. Port, 5. Ruse, 7. Treaty, 9. Leisure, 11. Opulent, 13. Mince, 15. Organ, 17. Bolting, 19. Vibrato, 21. Reflect, 23. Anxiety, 25. Spasm, 27. Toss, 29. Dive, 31. Cure.



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FIGHTING 75-mile-an-hour gusts of sub-zero wind which drove the snow like rivets into my City-softened face, the 1,800-ton converted corvette inched its way alongside the jetty—490 miles north of the nearest township.

I went ashore in the blizzard, the first British newspaperman to visit Kemano, site of the biggest industrial project being built in the world.

There in the jagged mountainous country of British Columbia, men and women have battled to build the first half of a £210 million power-cum-aluminium plant.

power that would light an English home for 15 years. No wonder they call aluminium "packaged power".

To harness that water for power was the aim of the Kemano task-force. But nature put the water 12 miles away, high up over the mountains. And the river flowed... away.

But the pioneers beat nature—they reversed the flow of water by building a 317ft. high dam and turning the canyon into a gigantic bath, a bath 125 miles long—just as long as the drive from London to Nottingham. It will take until 1957 to fill through a ten-mile tunnel.

This tunnel is a fantastic passageway where 1,000 men, the hardrock miners, dynamited a way through the granite of the Jurassic age.

The giant

THE conception of this 'gig'—the greatest power station ever built with private money was sparked off by a giant among free enterprisers—McNeely Du Bose, boss of the mighty Aluminium Company of Canada—"Alcan" for short.

But let us praise the politicians of Britain—they invested £40,000,000 in this mighty project, money to be repaid in aluminium ingots which will make frying pans and jets. For aluminium is the metal of the age.

Alcan's Kemano project and its sister Kitimat plant are Britain's largest single investment in the thriving, eager pioneering Dominion of Canada.

The modern pioneers who stormed ashore at the head of Dawson Creek cleared a road through seven miles of forest to a canyon ringed by 9,000ft. mountains. A million trees they uprooted to form a camp of Nissan-type huts.

Then they faced the stark mountain—to release the water, the pent-up power they had come to seek. For cheap electricity is the key to making aluminium. To produce a ton of the shiny silver metal needs

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The top brass of this invading force is a curious hierarchy of Scandinavians—rugged men from rugged countries.

Acc constructor is a Swede, Ole Strandberg—a world builder who knows no frontiers. He is matched by a Norwegian, Karl Roestad, 47, a powerful man whose personality dwarfs even the mountains. He is Alcan's boss on the job.

To a frenzy

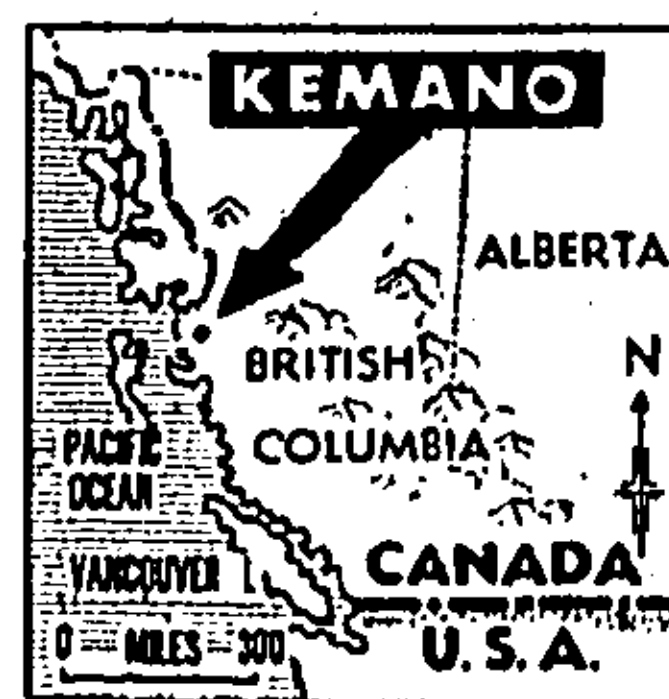
BETWEEN them they are driving the labour force to a frenzy of activity to open on time in July, a target set way back in 1951, and be ready, they hope, for a visit this summer by the Duke of Edinburgh.

There are men and women from Britain too. From Newcastle-upon-Tyne to Kemano went Joan Airey, 28-year-old brunette secretary, for paper must travel with the modern pioneer.

For over a year "Geordie" Joan has lived and shared the life of this fantastic camp in the mountains, which now gives temporary home to 2,000—with one girl to every 100 men.

Says Joan, who shares a dormitory with Canadian girls: "I have enjoyed it all... although you miss the City and ready-made entertainment, the flowers and the grocery..."

Joan has no regular boy friend—yet. "Let's say I have one or two acquaintances," she smiles. But the marriage rate is high. The 200 women seem to exult in their "scarcity value."



● KEMANO, rimmed by 8,000-ft. mountains and 400 miles from the nearest township, is the wild West scene of the world's biggest industrial project.

One heartening experience was to meet the Browns—Southport, Lancs. They represent Britain's first export to Canada—men and women who have come to stay—and work.

Albert (Al to the Canadians) Brown, his wife Jay, both 32, live with their two boys in a tiny wooden prefabricated house at Washwas camp, nicknamed "Washwas."

Brown is Alcan's office manager. He startled me when he said his job in England was—a chiropodist.

But Canada's need is foremen who can stand on their own two feet. So it was his own feet that Brown worked on.

The bug

BROWN, a slender man, was with the R.A.F. in Canada during the war—"That's how I got the bug," he says. When he arrived at Kemano he got work on the dam—hard work for a man with the delicate hands of a chiropodist.

On the dam he knocked up £1,000 a year—but gets less now than in the office.

"This is a great country if you are prepared to work hard and accept changed conditions," says Brown. "But where else could you save money as in this country?" he added as he told of plans to send home his two boys for a "public school" education.

I called on the Browns just at tea-time, but so well have they fitted into the Canadian scene that it was the whisky and water that did substitute for the expected English tea.

Jay Brown, whose two-bedroom home had touches of Southport, has taken Canada and Kemano to heart. "I love it here"—with all that snow outside. "I went down to stay in Vancouver, but after three weeks I was glad to get back to 'Washwas'."

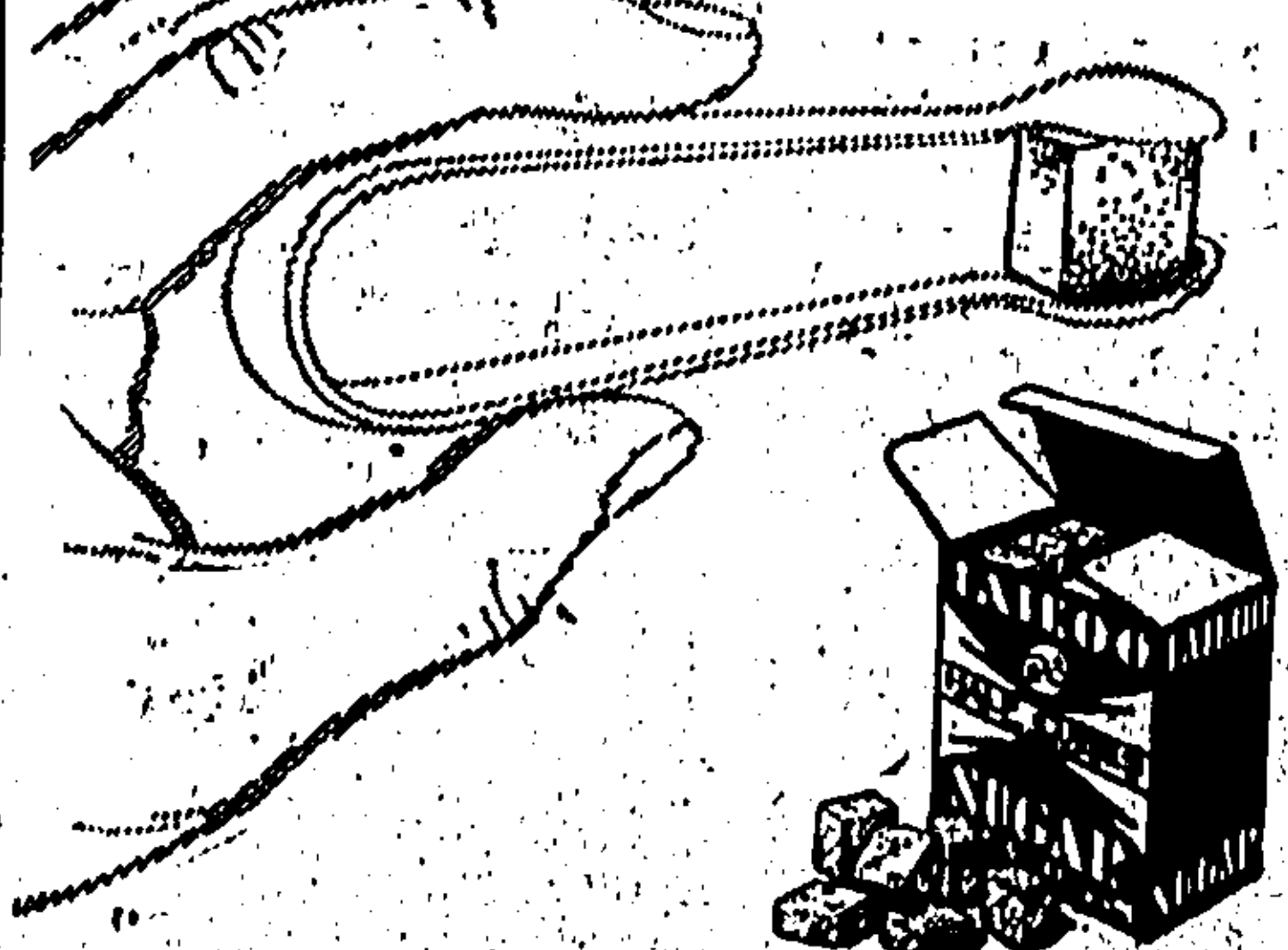
Yes, the Browns will do all right in Canada—they are the only type who need go out to that El Dorado.

There is no room for the soft man at Kemano.

They call it the "hard hat" country. My bowler, the first ever seen in this monstrously raw country, was not hard enough—I had to swap for a fibre glass "battle bowler" like a tin hat.

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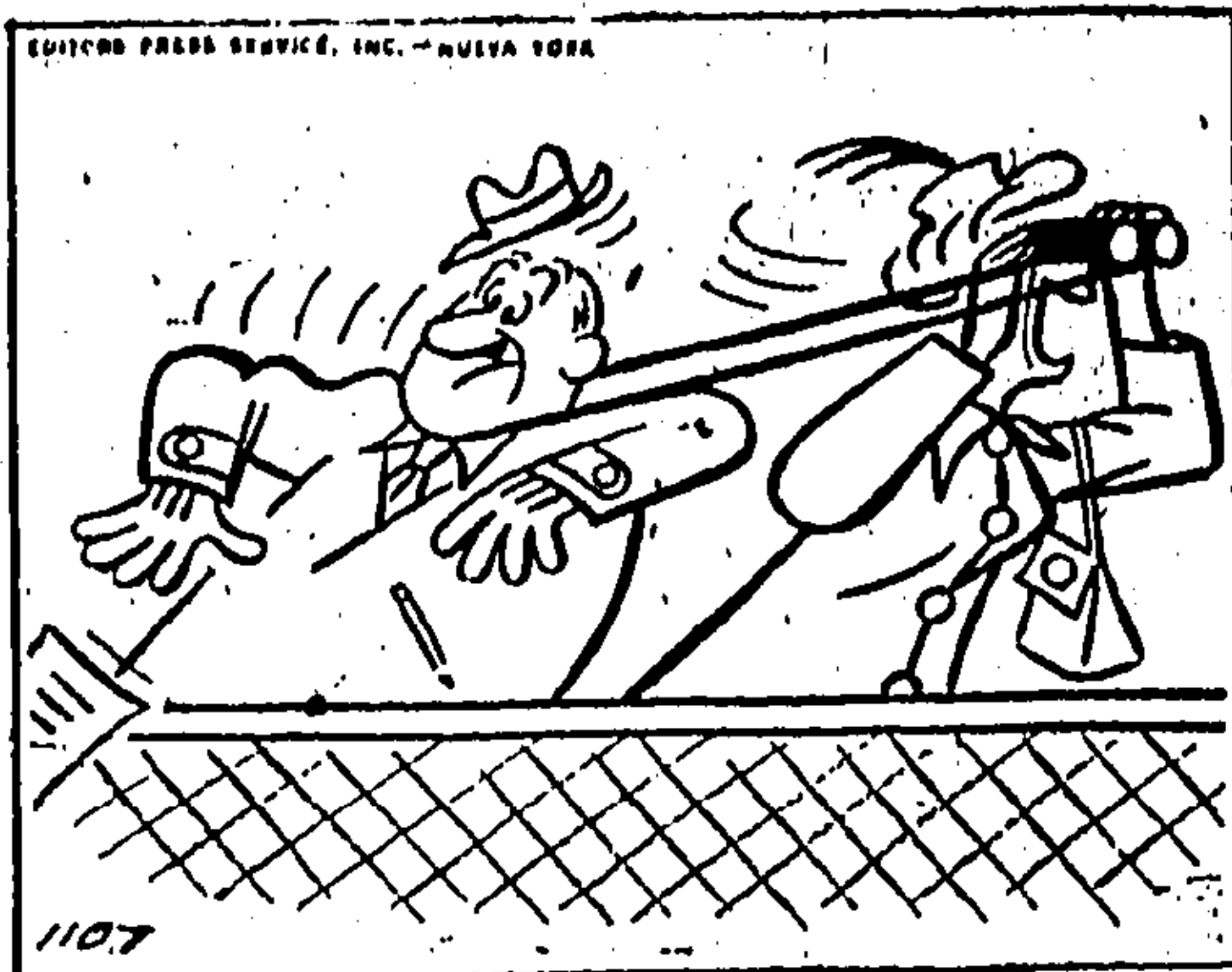
When (and if) they manage to catch a female starling, they announce solemnly, they will hold her upside down until she squawks. The squawk will be recorded for the continuing dismay of other starlings.

Oddly, this is not evidence that Sir David Eccles, and his men are headed for Colney Hatch. They are merely working a new gimmick to get rid of the 30,000 starlings

the noise will constitute a "nuisance," and they add that they haven't yet caught their starling.

But something has to be done. The birds are making a horrible noise out of some of London's finest buildings. And the thousands roosting on St Martin's-in-the-Fields church, at the top end of Trafalgar Square, make more noise in the early evening than all the cars, buses and home bound workers.

They also disturb the civil servants' hard hat work down Whitehall. Already, the Ministry has tried rockets, loudspeakers, electric wires and traps—all to no avail. The birds seemed merely annoyed by the summer's protests, avoided the wires and hardly



"Come on, Lady Fair!"

• BY THE WAY • by Beachcomber

THE official decision that tea-urns are "more useful" than double-spouted brown tea-pots will disappoint those who like to pour their tea out of one spout and back into the pot through the other.

The reason for the decision is said to be that people make tea out of, and study characters of, the spouts. As for the double-spouted, it is said to be the only thing for railway soup directions for knitting, continuous crotches for your apron, page 3.

Koolukattatt praises gas-container For Covent Garden?

KOOLUKATTATT, Paramount Chief of the Kuppakawte Indians, who gave a hard-fought battle last year, is here again. He hopes to start a branch of the P.E.N. Club for his tribe, none of whom can read. He was talking to the gas-container yesterday, and exclaimed: "Wumba, wa wumba! (How big!)". He wanted to see the gas-container to take home with him, but gas-overseer James Farley explained that as there was no gas where you came from, Sir, it would not be worth his while to

take the gigantic container away with him. With you take it with you or shall we send it?" commented a junior official, in an audible aside. "Kombo kaba wo wa huna!" ("I could keep some of my wives in it") vouchsafed the dusky potentate, amid laughter.

It depends on the colour

A YOUNG peer painted his face and hands black and was then fired admission to an hotel. He came back with his face and hands painted yellow. There was some hesitation. They asked if he was (Chinese or ill) he said: "Both." They let him in. The next week he painted himself red. There was some hesitation over admitting him until he said, "Chief of Great Indiam." He was then let in.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

FRIDAY, APRIL 2

BORN today, you've got a real touch of genius in your makeup and if you work things right, they are little you desire than you may not achieve. You are a good judge of human nature and, executing another person's objectives and motives with the greatest of ease. This gives you a real advantage over your competitor for you don't have to guess where he is going to jump.

You have literary, dramatic and even musical ability, as well as a good business head and executive powers. If you enter the profession, you are very likely to succeed at an early age. If you want to go into business, you will even make a success of that. In fact, whatever you turn your head to, you seem to work out all right. You seem to have been born under a really lucky star. True, there is a great

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20) — Pay strict attention to all details. They can prove important all out of proportion to their actual size.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 20) — Restlessness and the desire to make a move somewhere, but for a change, it is to be avoided today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21) — If you have done a good week's work, then you have earned a change of scene. Relax pleasantly.

CANCER (June 22-July 23) — Cultivate a pleasing personality; you will find that this which is your considerable distance toward your goal today.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23) — Keep abreast of current events. Perhaps you need to inform yourself on something which affects your own life.

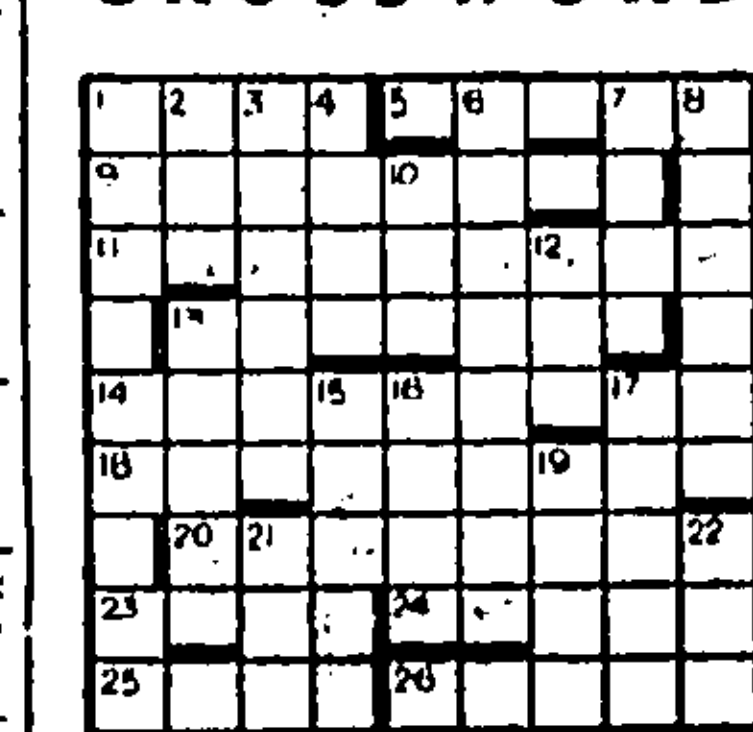
VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23) — Stick to practical ideas. Don't waste your time on things which are too visionary, even illusory.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23) — Perhaps you have some odd jobs to do around the house. This is an excellent day to get them done.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23) — Get into the country if you can. Visit a friend who lives out of town, if you are city-bound.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23) — The home front is important over this week-end. Finish home chores

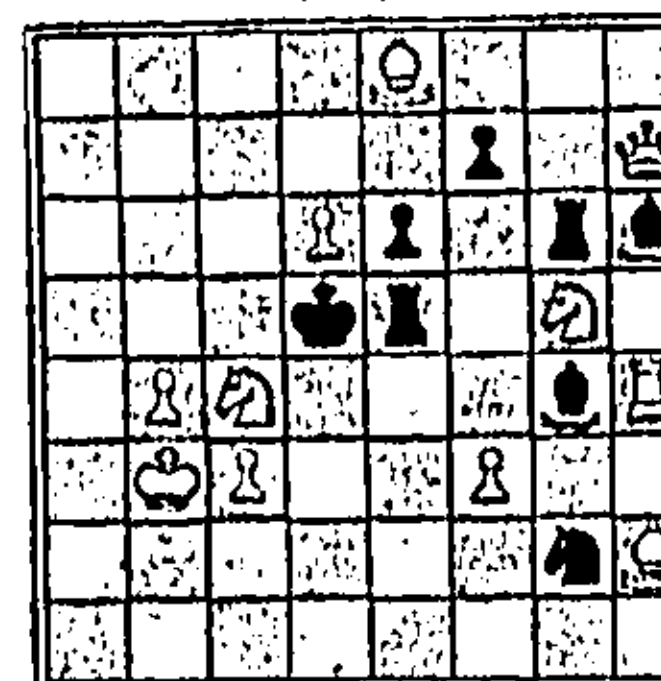
CROSSWORD



- Across
- A change of this is necessary as the Queen has a wide range in this.
 - His 13th when young heard great.
 - Real split, with a share mixed.
 - From here, (10).
 - From here, (10).
 - The job and the place, (9).
 - For all, (6). Strong drink, (4).
 - The school may be in France.
- Down
- Altoe does this by the fire, (4).
 - Elizabeth (1589-1603), (6).
 - Rosa grise (anag.), (9).
 - The heart of Derek, (9).
 - His 13th when young heard great.
 - From here, (10).
 - The job and the place, (9).
 - For all, (6). Strong drink, (4).
 - The school may be in France.

CHESSE PROBLEM

By J. ZALDO
Black, 3 pieces.



White, 11 pieces.
White to play; mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Kt-Q6, any; 2. Q, R, Kt, or P mates.

WHAT'S HIS LINE?
DAN H. GATES
Re-arrange the letters to spell his occupation.

(Solution on Page 10)

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE •

Tricky Hand Will Test Your Ingenuity

By OSWALD JACOBY

PUT yourself mentally in the East seat when you examine today's hand. It is up to you to defeat the slightly ambitious contract of six spades. Get a good grip on yourself, for it won't be easy.

West opens the ace of diamonds, and you have no problem. You drop the king, and wait for the next play.

West continues with the queen of diamonds, and South thinks for a long time. Finally, declarer ruffs in dummy with the ace of spades. It is clear that South has decided to play you for the queen of spades, and that he will sooner or later lead the jack of spades through your queen.

What do you discard on this second round of diamonds? Make up your mind before you read on.

If you discard a club, declarer will lead the jack of spades through you and will pick up your trumps. He will then cash dummy's three top clubs and ruff a club. This will set up dummy's last club, and South can get to dummy with a high heart to cash the last club. In short, South will make his

NORTH		29	
♠	A J 10 4		
♥	A K 9		
♦	7		
♣	A K Q 5		
WEST (D)		EAST	
♠	None	♠ Q 7 5 3	
♥	8 6 4 3	♥ Q J 10	
♦	A Q 10 9 8 6 5 3 2	♦ K	
♣	None	♣ J 10 7 6 4	
SOUTH			
♠	K 9 8 6 2		
♥	7 5 2		
♦	J 4		
♣	8 3 2		
East-West vul.			
West	North	East	South
♠	4	♠	4
♥	4	♥	4
♦	3	♦	3
♣	3	♣	3
Pass	Pass	Pass	
Opening lead—♦ A			

slam easily if you discard a club on the second round of diamonds.

Let's try again. Suppose you discard the ten of hearts. Declarer will still lead the jack of spades through you and will draw all of your trumps. He will then cash the ace and king of hearts, dropping your queen and jack. This will set up dummy's nine of hearts, and South will have no further problems.

Only one possibility is left, but this happens to be the right play. You must discard a trump on the second round of diamonds. Declarer takes the spade finesse through you, of course, but you don't have to discard until dummy does. If dummy discards a club, you can likewise discard a club; if dummy discards a heart, you can do the same.

You cannot be squeezed if you simply copy dummy's discard. The whole point of the defense is to discard a trump at the second trick so as to postpone a heart or club discard until you are in position to copy the dummy.

• CARD SENSE •

Q—The bidding has been:

North East South West
1 Heart Pass 2 Diamonds Pass
2 Hearts Pass ?

You, South, hold: Spades K-J-6, Hearts 8-5, Diamonds A-K-J-9-2, Clubs 8-4. What do you do?

A—Bid two no-trump. With 12 points in high cards you must make a second try for game. You're not delighted to bid no-trump with one suit wide open, but this bid is nevertheless the best description of your hand.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades K-J-6, Hearts 8-5, Diamonds A-K-J-9-2, Clubs A-6-4. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

DUMB BELLS



Which One To Choose?



These two young ladies find choosing difficult when surrounded by this collection of new hat creations for the Spring season.—Express Photo.

DON'T CALL THAT CORSET A CORSET!

NEW YORK. THEY'RE trying to coin a new name for a corset — because women don't like the present one.

One foundation garment company (Gossard) began the hunt after its research department reported women objected to the old-fashioned sound of the word corset, yet weren't entirely pleased with girdle as a replacement.

The new term must be descriptive, must give an immediate

impression of slimming results, and yet must not be an intimate term that would take foundation garments back to the days of "unmentionables" in conversation. These are requirements set up by the company.

"We're considering the word 'sheath,'" said one executive. If that term sounds like a far cry from a corset, then look at some of the other changes the years have brought. Not long ago women called garters "suspenders," brassieres "waists," and girdles "pantie waists."—United Press.

KEEP IN TRIM

By IDA JEAN KAIN

It's Fun To Accept A Fashion Challenge

ENCIRCLE your waist with middle fingers on each hand, thumbs pointing back, index fingers reaching for the ribcage, other fingers spanning below the waistline. That's vital territory this season. The trend in spring styles is definitely toward the long, fitted torso line, which calls for a fluid, flexible figure. It's a healthy trend, for to keep flexible is to keep young.

UNBROKEN LINE

To overcome any velvety toward exercise, step into a shop and try on a Princess dress, one that has an unbroken line and hugs the entire middle measurement. I'll tell you in on a secret: when I slipped into one, holding my breath, the salesgirl remarked matter of factly, "This would have to be let out through the midriff... eased a bit." Yes indeed... quite a bit! In this style there can be no secret about your figure, and it was plain to be seen, I'd settled. So, by way of discipline, I accepted the challenge, ordered the dress, but left it in the shop to be fitted in two weeks. It's just the incentive I needed to give zest to stretch-bend-swings.

The charm of this style is in the smooth, supple flow of the figure. To wear it beautifully, the figure must be flexible and controlled through the middle measurement. Today's rhythms aim toward increased flexibility and they're fun to do.

WITH A TUNE

Turn on a slow tune, arch arms overhead, and pull up snugly through the mid-section... bending toward the right, then toward the left, free and easy.

Then try a toe-touching step forward routine: Touch, step and circle alternate arms backward, pulling shoulders smoothly into line as you step forward. Make sure to lift with the middle muscles, keeping the control there. The rhythm is touch, step, circle arm backward... then, touch, step with the other foot, circling with other arm as you glide the length of the room.

To increase the side bend, get some latex action. Standing

with feet wide apart, arms arched overhead, swing to the right, as you sway, let the right knee give... sway away over. Now swing up and over in the other direction, this time bending the knee on the other side. As you swing sideways, let one foot come almost off floor, and then with a flowing movement, swing up and over to the other side. It's over so freeing. Keep your head up and chest lifted and put the action through the lateral muscles, which bound the side of the figure. Feel the rhythm and keep the motion flowing.



If your back is normally strong, circle at the waist, bending to the side, circle around in front and to the

opposite side, then up. Use the waistline as a pivot and make these muscles take the action.

Bananas Featured In Exotic Dishes

By Ida Bailey Allen

AN interesting phase of the gatherings of food writers is the opportunity to taste-test new and interesting dishes.

At the Cook Book Recipe Conference luncheon, bananas were featured in twelve different ways, including entrees, assorted breads, desserts and cookies.

"Bananas could also have been featured in fruits, cocktails and salads," Madame, as "example," in the restaurant business, chefs find that banana cream, pie is tops, especially with men.

SUGGESTED LUNCHEON FOR CLUBS

(Buffet or At Table)
Celery Olives Radishes
Choice of:
Fresh Lobster and Banana Curry with Rice, or
Ham Banana Rolls with Cheese Sauce
Tossed Lettuce Salad Creole
Strawberry Ice Cream Cake
Coffee

All Measurements Are Level Recipes Serve 4 to 6

Fresh Lobster with Banana Curry: This exotic and delicious

dish delighted the food writers. It consists of baked bananas and lobster in curry sauce.

Curry Sauce: Heat 2 1/2 c. chicken consommé or stock to boiling point. Melt 1/3 c. butter or margarine in a saucepan. Stir in 1/4 c. enriched flour, 2 tsp. curry powder, 1 tsp. salt and 1/4 tsp. pepper. When smooth, slowly stir in the heated consommé. Simmer 10 min. over a low heat, stirring often.

(Note: Three chicken bouillon cubes and 2 1/2 c. boiling water may be used for stock.)

Baked Bananas: Peel 6 firm bananas either slightly green-tipped or all yellow. Place in an oiled baking dish. Brush with melted butter or margarine. Four over half the curry sauce. Bake 15-18 min. in a moderate oven, 375° F., or until the bananas are tender when pierced with a fork.

To Complete the Lobster Banana Curry: Heat 3 c. diced cooked lobster meat (fresh, frozen or tinned), in the remaining curry sauce. Serve on hot rice with the curried bananas. Garnish of parsley. Pass chutney sauce.

For variation of the preceding combination, the chef suggests heating only the lobster in the curry sauce with the addition of a little chopped green pepper, and serving an accompanying salad of sliced bananas with chutney French dressing.

Ham Banana Rolls: Lightly spread 6 thin slices boiled ham with table mustard. Peel 6 medium-sized firm bananas, either all yellow or slightly green-tipped. Wrap a slice of the prepared ham around each banana. Brush the tips of the bananas with melted butter or margarine. Place the ham rolls, fold-side down, in an oiled shallow baking dish that can go to table. Four over 1/4 c. cheese sauce. Bake 30 min. in a moderate oven, 350° F., or until the bananas can be easily pierced with a fork.

DINNER

Chopped Kale Soup
Tuna-Spaghetti alla Dante
Zucchini
Sliced Lettuce Chiffonade
Baked Apples Glace
Coffee Tea Milk

Baked Apples Glace: Wash 6 medium-sized greening or other cooking apples. Core; pare 1/4 of the skin from the top. Place in oiled baking dish. Over the top and in the core of each apple divide 6 tsp. sugar mixed with 1/4 tsp. cinnamon. Around apples, place 1 c. hot water in which 1/4 c. sugar has been dissolved. Bake slowly and steadily at 325°-350° F. for 1 hr., or until tender when pierced with a fork. Bake occasionally with the liquid in the dish. About 10 min. before the apples should be done, add 1/3 c. any red-colored jelly and bake the apples with this. Remove to serving dishes; spoon any remaining liquid over the tops to form a glaze. Serve warm, plain, or topped with ice cream.

The Chef's Chiffonade: Sliced French dressing, add 1/4 c. minced parsley, 1/4 tsp. paprika, and 1/4 hard-boiled egg, chopped fine.

New Way With Tuna: Place a good way to make a (7-8) tin of tuna turn out a substantial protein and satisfy those persons who like to eat fish in a new way. Heat 1/2 cup of low-sodium tomato sauce, serve on lettuce leaves, add 1/2 cup of tuna, which means, of course, to the tuna.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

The Milkman's Flying Trip

—Giddap Took Him Up to the Milky Way—

By MAX TRELL

CHRISTOPHER CRICKET said to Knarf and Hanid, the shadow children, "I had one of the strangest adventures of my life last night. It all had to do with Giddap the Milk Wagon Horse."

"Nothing ever happens to Giddap the Milk Wagon Horse," said Knarf. "He just pulls the milk wagon."

Unadventurous Horse

Hanid added: "Giddap the Milk Wagon Horse is the most unadventurous horse that ever lived. Christopher. For years and years and years, he's been going up one street and down another. I'm surprised to hear you say that anything strange happened with him in it."

"But it did," repeated Christopher. "Just let me tell you what happened and you'll see for yourself."

Christopher Cricket now sat himself down comfortably on a loose brick at one side of the fireplace. Then he began his story:

"It was about the middle of the night. Everybody in the house was fast asleep. As a matter of fact, I was fast asleep too. But I'm a very light sleeper. If you drop a pin, I'm likely to hear it."

"Well, I suddenly heard a voice coming from outside the window. I woke up at once and listened. It was the voice of the Milkman. 'Giddap, my friend,' he was saying, 'a terrible thing has just happened. I've left milk at every doorstep along all the streets of the neighborhood. But just now a lady whose little boy is sick asked me to leave a bottle of milk for him. But we haven't got any

more milk. All we've got is this empty bottle. Where are we going to find milk to fill that empty bottle, so that we can leave it for the sick boy?"

Giddap's Answer

"That's easy," I heard Giddap answering the Milkman. "We'll go to the Milky Way." "My goodness!" Hanid exclaimed. "The Milky Way's in the sky!" "I know," said Christopher. "It surprised me, too, to hear Giddap saying that. So I rushed outside. I got there just in time to see an extraordinary thing happening! Giddap was throwing off his blanket. And when it was off, he started spreading out a pair of magnificent wings."

"A milk wagon horse with wings!" Knarf exclaimed. "Yes," said Christopher Cricket, "and he knew how to use them too. He hopped them up and down and the milk wagon started rising off the ground. 'Away we go Giddap!'

cried the Milkman, as he held on to the reins. I jumped on the back of the milk wagon," said Christopher, "and the next moment we were sailing over the roof tops."

"Higher and higher we went... higher than the clouds... higher than the moon... until finally we were sailing through the Milky Way. The milk came down like great thick raindrops. Then I saw the Milkman hold out the empty bottle. In a moment, it was filled with the drops of milk. And some of the drops were cream."

"And down again we went! For now the Milkman had a full bottle of milk. We came gently down, past the moon and past the clouds, and landed gently, right on the street where we live."

Wings Covered Again

"Well done," Giddap, my friend," said the Milkman, as he threw the blanket over the old horse again and covered his wings. But the old horse didn't say anything. He just stood there, watching the Milkman walk down the street and put the bottle of milk on the doorstep of the sick boy's house. And when the Milkman came back



The milk wagon horse spread his wings.

and got in the wagon again, Giddap walked slowly off like a tired old horse, around the corner and out of sight.

"And no one," said Christopher, "would have guessed that that old tired milk wagon horse had just been to the Milky Way and back, with a pair of wonderful wings which he kept hidden under his torn old blanket."

Rupert and the Black Spark—17

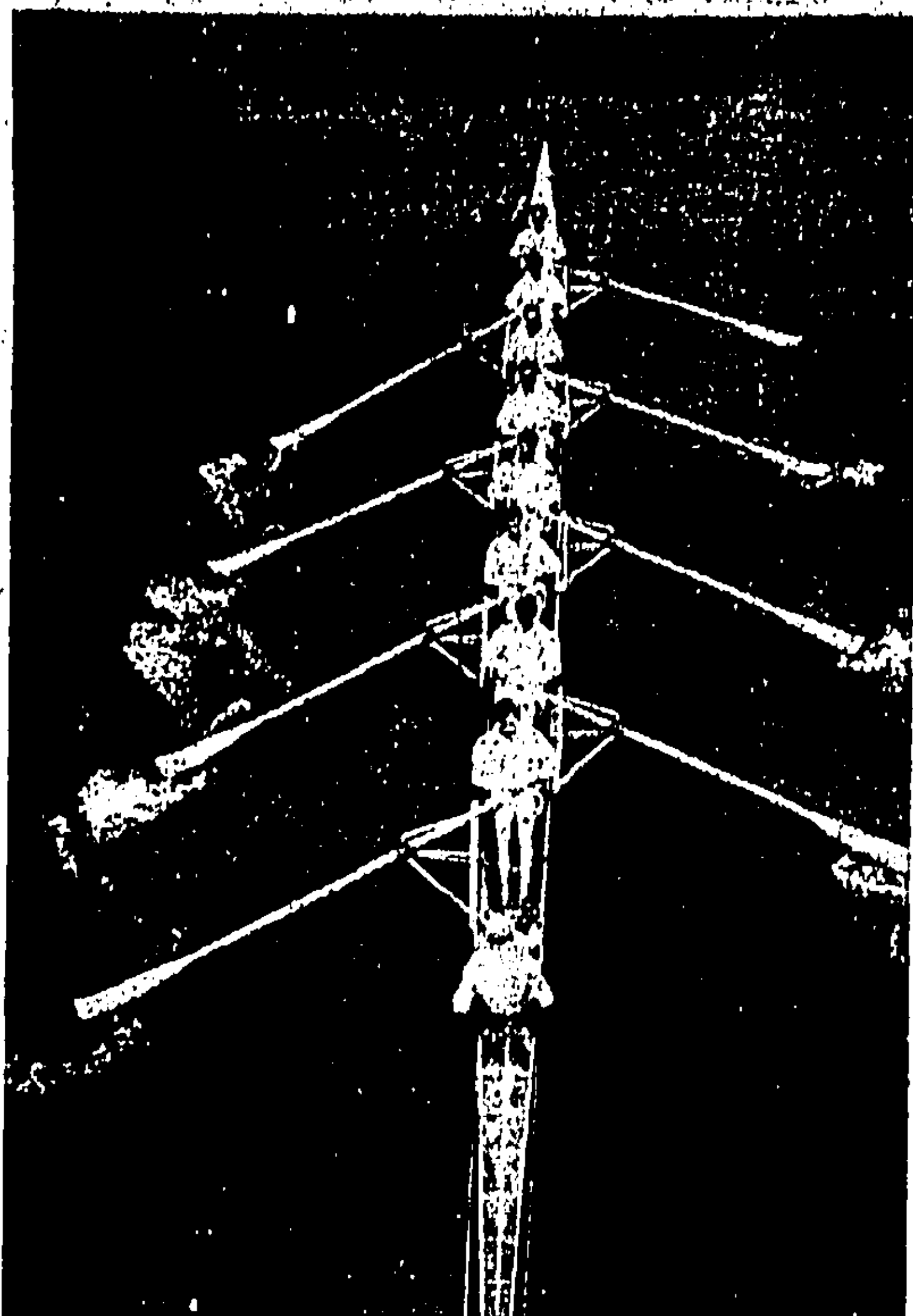


The old Professor gazed at the little black thing on the spade and smiled as he listened to Rupert's explanations. "So this thing is lonely and wants to join its pals? he chuckled. "Well, nobody has ever brought me such a weird problem before. If I didn't know Rupert, I should think you were teasing me!" Inside the house he peers through a strong magnifying glass. "It isn't a spark! It's a candle!" That's what Aly said! cries Rupert.

A new story

Rupert and the Space Ship

SHOOTING THE BRIDGE



The Cambridge crew "shoots" Hammersmith Bridge during a training session on the river Thames in readiness for their annual race against Oxford tomorrow.—Express Photo.

American Swimmers Break Several World Records

New Haven, Connecticut, Apr. 1.

The New Haven Swim Club relay team and two Ohio Staters, Dick Cleveland and Yoshio Oyakawa, bettered a series of existing world and American marks today in special time trials preliminary to tonight's opening of the National AAU Swimming Championships in Yale's Payne Whitney Pool.

Swimming in a 25-metre pool, Cleveland splashed over the 100 Metres distance in 54.8 seconds to clip six-tenths of a second from the listed world standard of 55.4 set six years ago by Yale's Alan Ford. The performance also constituted an American record for the metric course.

Oyakawa turned in a 1:02.0 clocking to lower the existing 100 Metres Back Stroke record which was set in 1952, by Gilbert Bozon at Troyes, France. Bozon's mark was 1:03.3. The New Haveners, the AAU version of Yale University's team, clipped 3.5 seconds from the world 400 Metres Free Style Relay of 3:47.0, established in 1951 by another elite quartet. Today's time was 3:44.4, and the "split" were: Dave Armstrong, 57.0 seconds; Rex Aubrey, 55.4; Sandy Gidson, 50.2; and Kerry Donovan, 55.7.

By adding on a fifth and sixth man, the swim club also posted American noteworthy relay

records for 500 and 600 metres. Dan Cornwell swam his leg in 57.2 to bring the 500 metres total to 4:41.0, as against the former record of 4:47.3, also held by Yale. The sixth leg was swum by Jim Roe in 58.3 and the total of 5:45.7, also held by Yale. After a half-hour rest, and operating over a regular short-course distance, the same New Haven Swim Club team also shattered the current world and American 400 Yards Free Style Relay mark of 3:21.6, set by Yale in 1951. Today's time was a blistering 3:10.4. The "splits" were: Armstrong, 50.9; Aubrey, 49.0; Gidson, 49.2; and Donovan, 50.0.

American noteworthy performances at 500 and 600 yards were also set by adding extra legs with Cornwell and Roe again the added relay men. At 500 yards, the new mark was 4:10.6, as against the old standard of 4:13.6. At 600 yards, the clocking was 5:01.9, against the former mark of 5:05.4.—United Press.

Seixas Beats Davidson

San Juan, Puerto Rico, Apr. 1.

Top-seeded Vic Seixas of the United States today defeated Swedish Champion Sven Davidson, 6-2, 6-4, in a quarter-final match of the Caribe Hilton Invitation tennis tournament.

Gardner Mulloy of the US beat Hal Burrows (US) 6-3, 3-6, 6-3 in the other quarter-final. Mrs. Joy Mottram (England) beat Mrs. Baba Madden Lewis (US) 6-2, 6-0, 6-3. Mulloy and Miss Shirley Fry defeated Davidson and Betty Rosenquest Pratt, 11-13, 6-1, 6-4, to advance to the mixed doubles semi-finals. The first set lasted almost two hours.

Kurt Nielsen and Miss Helen Fletcher beat Mrs. Joy Mottram and Collin Hannan, 6-8, in a mixed doubles set, then lost 4-6 in another set. The match was halted by darkness and the deciding set will be played on Friday.—United Press.

HKFA MEETING ON APRIL 12

The first general meeting of the HK Football Association (in compliance with Article 10 of the Articles of Association) will be held on April 12 at 8.45 p.m.

Arrangements for the Indian team's visit will be discussed at a meeting of the Interpart Committee on Monday at 8 p.m.

IRAN WILL NOT TAKE PART IN ASIAN GAMES

Manila, Apr. 1. Iran will not compete in the Asian Games here between May 1 and May 9, the Organising Committee announced tonight.

Iran finished third in the overall standings in the first Asian Games in New Delhi in 1951.

Only 18 nations will be taking part in this year's games—Afghanistan, Burma, Cambodia, Ceylon, Nationalist China, Hongkong, India, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, South Korea, Malaya, North Borneo, Pakistan, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam and the Philippines.

The Games Committee announced that the Olympic Village in Quzon City, north of Manila, is nearing completion. The village will house about 1,000 athletes.—Reuter.

HOME SOCCER RESULTS

Association football scores today were: Port Vale 3 Bradford 0; Southport 2 Stockport 0.

ENGLAND LEAD BY 275 ON FIRST INNINGS

Double Century By Len Hutton

Kingston, Apr. 1.

England gained a first innings lead of 275 runs on the third day of the fifth Test against the West Indies today which saw Len Hutton, the England captain, reach a double century (205).

When stumps were drawn the position was as follows: West Indies 139 and 20 for no wicket; England 414.

Hutton completed his 19th Test century in 340 minutes this morning, and at the lunch interval, when he had been batting 419 minutes, he had taken his score to 133.

Ladies' Section Prize-Giving At Fanling

The Annual Spring Meeting of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, held at Fanling on March 30 and 31, was a most enjoyable and successful event. There were 56 entries for the competitions held during the meeting and sixty members were present for the prize-giving on Wednesday afternoon.

Results of the Spring Meeting Competition are as follows:—

Medal Competition—New Course

—Best Gross Scores

Silver Division—Mrs R. R. Coombs 83.

Bronze Division—Mrs S. M. Buckle 93.

Best Nett Score New Course

Silver Division: Mrs R. R. Coombs 83-15=68

Mrs J. Gray 89-17=72

Mrs M. Cowdy 80-14=72

Mrs E. Saunders 91-18=73

Bronze Division: Mrs W. Stoker 97-27=70

Mrs S. M. Buckle 93-22=71

Four-somes v. Bogey—

Old Course

Mrs A. B. Coleman 2 down

Mrs G. Arkle and Mrs C. Edgar 2 down

Mrs Coleman and Mrs Elrick were awarded first prize in view of their better score for the last nine holes.

Bogey—Silver Division—

Old Course

Mrs A. W. Dawson-Grove 2 down

Mrs J. B. Mackie 4 down

Bronze Division—New Course

Mrs H. Barton 1 down

Mrs R. Sleep 2 down

Mrs M. Hung 3 down

Long Driving

Mrs G. Arkle 195 1/4 Yds.

Mrs A. B. Coleman 193 Yds.

Mrs A. W. Dawson-Grove 192 Yds.

Approaching and Putting (total of 3 balls)

Mrs L. Goldman Score 8

Mrs R. R. Coombs 9

Mrs J. Brown 10

Putting Competition (total 3 balls)

Mrs P. Hawkins Score 5

Mrs J. Gray 6

Mrs L. Goldman 8

Mrs S. M. Buckle 8

THE PRESENTATION

At the Prize presentation, Mrs A. S. Mitchell (Captain)

gratulated the members and congratulated the winners on their successes. She mentioned the ever-growing number of players and the great interest shown in the events held during the season at Fanling. This Meeting closed the competitive season there and Deep Water events would start on Tuesday, April 27.

Mrs Mitchell thanked Mrs K. S. Robertson who had presented a "Hole in One" Trophy for the Ladies' Section. Mrs Robertson is leaving the Colony soon on retirement; she has served on the Committee for many years and was Captain in 1951/52. Mrs Mitchell wished her a happy retirement and good luck on behalf of the Committee and all members.

The prizes for the Spring Meeting and for all cup matches and events held during the season were then presented by Mrs Mitchell.

These were:—

Championship—Winner, Mrs A. W. Dawson-Grove; Runner-up, Mrs J. B. Mackie.

Bronze Division Championship—Winner, Mrs Gordon W. Vaughn; Runner-up, Mrs J. Fortune.

Relay Cup—Winner, Mrs F. G. Harrison; Runner-up, Mrs K. S. Robertson.

Ten-pin Cup—Winner, Mrs A. W. Dawson-Grove; Runner-up, Mrs J. B. Mackie.

Road Cup—Winner, Mrs A. S. Mitchell; Runner-up Mrs W. N. Gray.

Old Dragon's Cup—(Best score on Old Course, 1953), Mrs J. Wal (82).

Old Dragon's Prize—(Best score on New Course, 1953), Mrs H. Cleland (87).

28 Holes (Old & New Courses) Championship, 1953.

Best Nett Score—Old/New Course—Mrs W. N. A. Smalley.

Best Nett Score Old Course—Mrs H. J. Armstrong.

Godfrey Evans was content to defend his wicket at the other end and at lunch had been batting 111 minutes for 10 runs, made up of a four, a two and four singles.

Runs came more freely after lunch. Hutton and Evans took their stand to 108 in two hours 22 minutes before Evans, who had begun to show aggression, lofted a catch to mid-off.

Hutton and Wardle pounded the bowling, and when 350 went up England had put on 100 runs in 72 minutes.

At 3.09 Hutton reached his double hundred with a cover drive off Sobers. He had then been at the wicket for eight hours 24 minutes.

Hutton's last double century in a Test was against the West Indies at the Oval in 1950.

The Yorkshire pair had added 103 for the seventh wicket in 82 minutes by tea.

Hutton's innings ended just after tea when he tried to cut Walcott and nicked a catch behind the wicket. He batted 223 minutes, hitting one six and 23 fours.

Sobers, playing in his first Test for the West Indies, ended the innings by taking the wickets of Lock, Wardle and Laker in quick succession. His four for 75 was the best bowling figure of the innings.

Going in for half an hour 275 last, the West Indies nearly lost Holt at 15, when Lock got both hands to the ball at backward short-leg but dropped it.

THE SCOREBOARD

West Indies, 1st Innings, 139

England, 1st Innings

L. Hutton, c. McWatt b. 205

Walcott, c. McWatt b. 23

Sobers, c. sub. b. Ramadhin 30

D. Compton, hit wicket b. 31

W. King, c. McWatt b. 4

T. Graveney, lbw. b. Atkinson 11

T. C. G. Evans, c. Worrell 28

B. Ramadhin 60

A. Lock, b. Sobers 4

J. Laker, b. Sobers 9

F. Trueman, not out 0

Extras 3

Total 414

Wickets falls: 1/43; 2/104; 3/152; 4/100; 5/179; 6/287; 7/392; 8/401; 9/400.

Bowling

King 20 M 12 R 45 W 2

Gomez 25 8 56 0

Atkinson 41 16 62 1

Ramadhin 29 9 71 2

Sobers 28.5 9 75 4

Walcott 11 5 26 1

Worrell 11 0 34 0

Stollmeyer 6 0 22 0

In the West Indies 2nd Innings, Holt was not out 7, and Stollmeyer not out 12, with extras 1.—Reuter.

SMYSLOV Wins

Moscow, Mar. 31.

Vasily Smyslov scored his first win in the seventh game of the world chess championship series with Mikhail Botvinnik today. The score now stands Botvinnik 4½ points, Smyslov 2½.

Smyslov (white), who had positional advantage at the tournament, cramped the black pieces in passive positions and obtained two connected passed pawns. Black would block the advance of these pawns only at the cost of great material sacrifice. On the 6th move Botvinnik laid down his arms.

The eighth game will be played tomorrow.—United Press.

THE GAMBOLS

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YES, DEAR

WAS IT THE WAY THE FORWARD PLAYED THAT'S WORRYING YOU?

NO, DEAR

WELL, WHAT IS IT?

I CAN'T THINK WHAT TO GET FOR A MEAL TONIGHT

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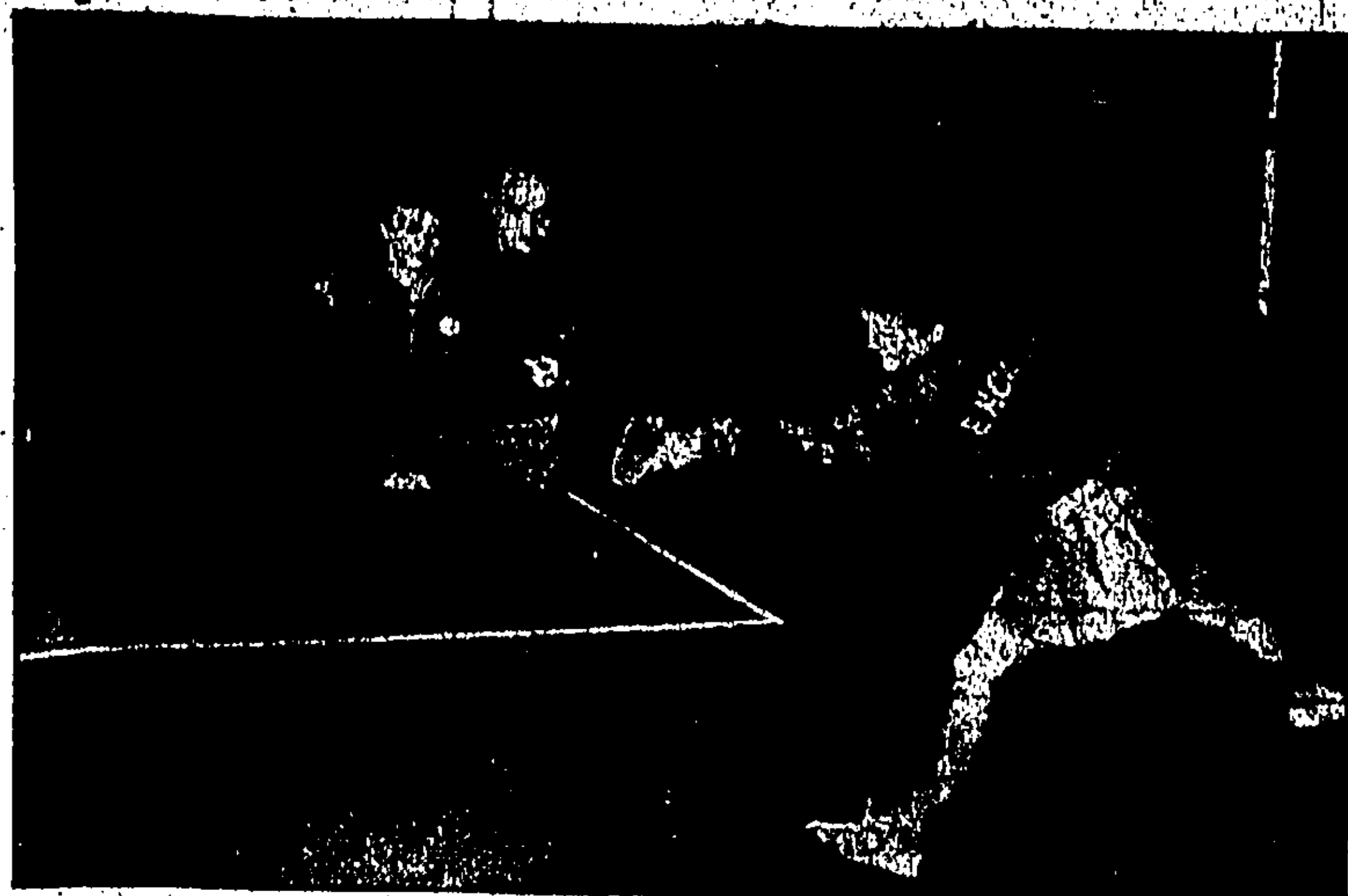
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READY TO MEET ALL-COMERS



The Rowe sisters, Diane and Rosalind, London's famous Table Tennis Twins, are training ardently for the World Championships which are to be played at Wembley next week.

Guiding them in their final spells of practice is the great Victor Barna, who hopes to bring them to their peak at Wembley. Diane and Rosalind achieved world fame as doubles players, but this year they are hoping that one of them may bring home the singles title which no British girl has won since the World Championships started in 1927.

This picture shows Victor Barna giving advice to the two girls during training—Diane is left-handed, and Rosalind, right-handed.—Central Press Photo.

SCOTTISH SPORTS SUMMARY

SCOTTISH FA SELECTORS WILL HAVE TO RECTIFY WORLD CUP BLUNDER

By "MAC"

The Scottish Football Association selectors have made one of the biggest blunders over the World Cup. There is still time to rectify it—but they are afraid to do so in case they "look silly."

That is the opinion freely held in top Scottish soccer circles on the decision to send only 13 players to Switzerland for the Tournament.

Last December the selectors said that 13 players would travel. Recently they considered increasing the number to 18. There will be a minimum of two matches. What if several players were injured in the first game? Others would have to be rushed from Scotland.

HE'S FAULTLESS

Scotland will be represented at the World Cup Finals by one of her referees.

The honoured "whistler" is named appropriately enough, Charlie Faultless. He is a Glasgow clothing trade director.

Charlie, 40 years old, more than 6ft. tall, and a bit shiny on top, has been told he is one of four British referees chosen by FIFA to control the final stages of the World Cup.

The others are Messrs. Ellis and Ling of England and Welshman Mervyn Griffiths.

Mr Faultless has been refereeing for 18 seasons—and has never controlled a game involving a professional Continental side.

He was the referee for the Wales-Ireland World Cup

qualifying match at Wrexham on March 31—four days before the Scotland-England at Hampden Park.—London Express Service.

ROYAL TAN'S TRAINER SUSPENDED

Dublin, Mar. 31.

Vincent O'Brien, the Irish trainer who saddled Royal Tan to win the Grand National last Saturday, said tonight that the stewards of the Irish National Hunt Stakes Committee had withdrawn his licence to train for three months from April 2.

Mr O'Brien today attended an inquiry here by the stewards into the training of Royal Tan, Lucky Dome, Early Mist and Knock Hard. He added that the stewards declared they could not accept his explanations and withdrew his licence for three calendar months.

"I am completely in the dark as to what, if any, offence I am alleged to be guilty of," he declared. "No specific charge of any kind in respect of the running of the horses in any of their races has been made."

Mr O'Brien is looked on as the outstanding training of steeplechasers and has achieved the rare feat of winning the Grand National in successive years. Early Mist won the race for him last year.—Reuter.

EXTENSION OF SEASON

Because of the huge backlog of postponed League fixtures and the heavy extra-League programme ahead, the League Management Committee yesterday decided to request the Football Council to extend the current season to the end of May.

The Committee at its meeting yesterday also accepted a suggestion from the Third Division and ruled that that team's match statistics be expunged from the records.

RECORD ATTEMPT

Fred Green, the British Olympic runner, will attack the Scottish 3-mile all-comers record at the International spotlight meeting at Ibrox Stadium on April 2.

He will be challenged by some of Europe's top runners, including Englishman Len Eyre, J. Latster and W. J. Van Zeeland of Holland, and Scotsman Ian Blainie, present holder of the record.

Interport Team Leaves For Macao Tomorrow

All officials, players and reserves of the Colony Interport team against Macao are to assemble at the Tai Yip Wharf (near Wing On Co., Praya side) before 11.30 p.m. tomorrow to board the Tak Shing, leaving Hongkong at midnight.

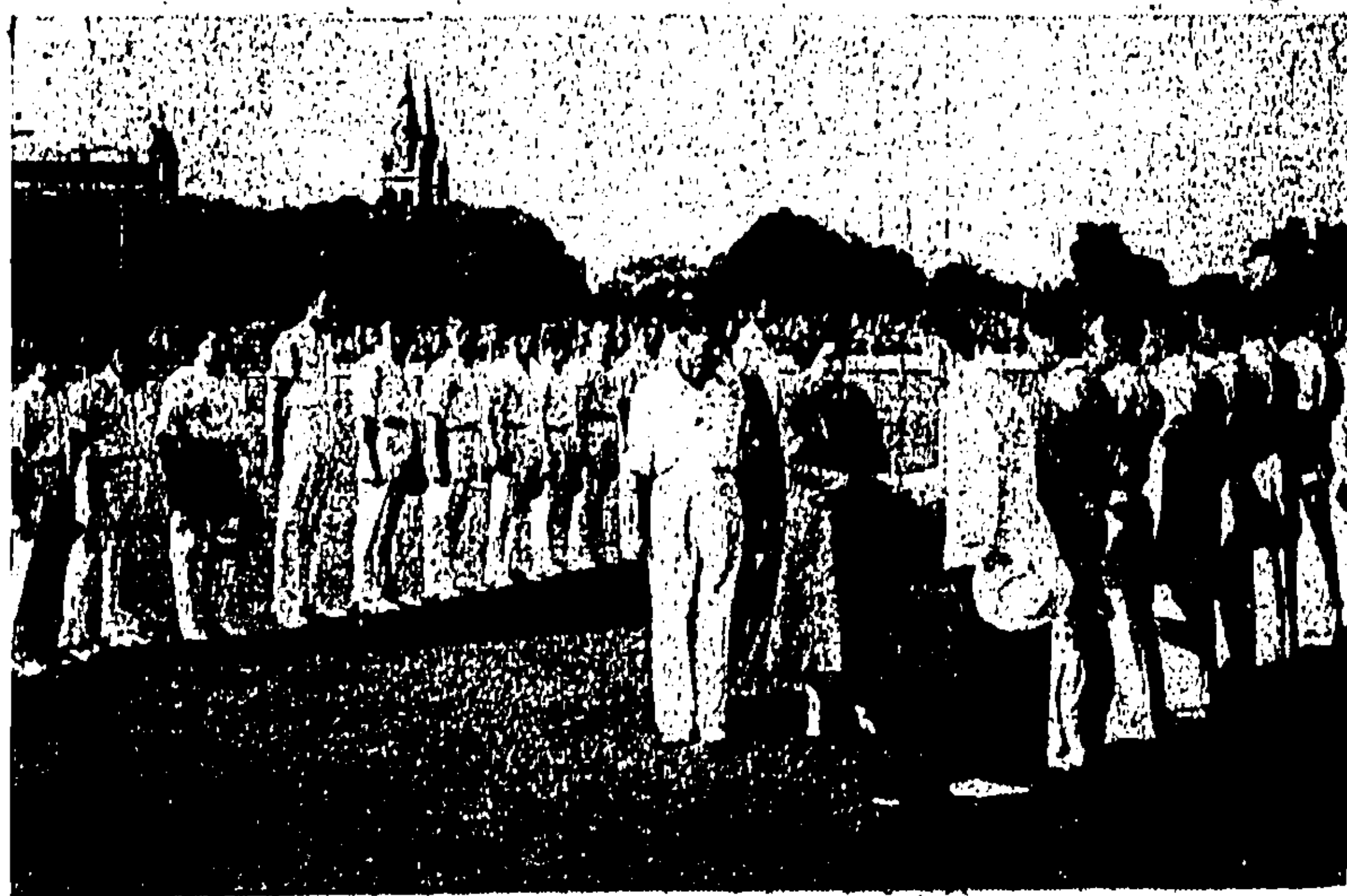
Jerseys, shorts and stockings only will be supplied and players are to bring the other togs.

Home RUGGER RESULTS

London, Apr. 1.

Rugby Union results today were: Pontypool 8, Bridgend 0; Hedruth 3; London Hospital 3.—Reuter.

THE QUEEN VISITS CRICKET GROUND



Members of the two teams were presented to the Queen and Duke of Edinburgh when they visited the Oval, Adelaide, to watch the cricket match between the South Australian Cricket Association and the Country Cricket Carnival Association. — Express Photo.

JUNIOR BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIPS

P.V. Yap Beats Bernard Brown In The Match Of The Evening

By "ARGONAUT"

A brilliant singles match in which Craigengower's left-hander P. V. Yap overcame Recreio's Bernard Brown by 15-8 and 15-10 was the highlight of the opening evening's programme in the Colony Junior Badminton Championships at Tai Koo Club last night.

Both the two players, who are regarded as the most outstanding among the juniors this year, produced a high standard of classy badminton, with Yap enjoying a slight edge in stamina and variety and

Long rallies featured the initial stages of the game as both players battled valiantly for every point. From 8-7, however, Yap broke loose with a series of drop shots and net flights to Brown's front backhand corner to score four points in a row and added another point with a sizzling smash.

Brown gamely held on to the 7-11 score for another two changeovers of service but was

unable to cope with his opponent's well-judged mixture of drops, smashes and lobs and, after conceding two more points, managed to obtain only one further point before the first set ended at 15-8.

There was another grim tussle at the commencement of the second set and although Yap went to a 3-0 start, Brown drew level at 3-3. Yap forged ahead to 6-3, only to see a fighting Brown fight back to 6-6 and then lead by 8-7.

His strong efforts at this stage seemed to have been too much for the Recreio player as Yap returned strongly to the fray with a barrage of smashes to overtake his opponent at 12-9 and eventually to take the set and match at 15-10.

MOST EXCITING

The most exciting game of the evening was the Mixed Doubles match between Frank Yeh and Betty Yung and P. C. Chau and Miss Wong. Sze-pui, with the former pair winning by 9-15, 15-9 and 15-12.

The winners started off shakily, but after losing the first set, in which P. C. Chau was prominent with good back-court play, they forced the rubber after an excellent spell when they served unbrokenly from 9-0 to 12-0.

The third set saw an even struggle until 9-9. Chau and Wong took the next two points, but in a brilliant recovery Yeh reeled off six points in a row for set and match.

Schoolgirl player Betty Yung was especially prominent at this stage with a fine exhibition of attacking net play and her successive net smashes gave her side the last three points of the match.

In the only Men's Doubles match of the evening, Recreio's "C" Division League pair of A. Rosa and B. Xavier scored a creditable triumph over University's Joseph Foo and C. W. Ng.

Undaunted by the reputation of their opponents, the Recreio combination again displayed their tremendous improvement in aggressive doubles play. Both Foo and Ng showed ample evidence of lack of practice and were seldom able

to extricate themselves out of a defensive game.

THE RESULTS

Mixed Doubles—C. K. Chan and Miss Anne Young beat P. C. Chau and Miss Wong 15-7, 15-9, 15-12.

Men's Doubles—B. A. Xavier and Joseph Foo 15-4, 15-7, 15-11.

Men's Singles—P. V. Yap beat B. A. Brown 15-8, 15-10.

TODAY'S GAMES

At 7 p.m. Men's Singles: C. W. Ng v A. A. da Rosa.

At 7.30 p.m. Mixed Doubles: Wong Yan v M. Tang v Junior Castro & Diana Yung.

At 8 p.m. Men's Doubles: Pat Gardner & Brian Douglas v Roy Remedios & Roberto Nunes.

At 8.30 p.m. Men's Singles: Sak Fook-tat v Wong Shu-kwong.

At 9 p.m. Men's Doubles: C. C. Wong & B. K. Lui v S. T. Hooi & Dr K. L. Hui.

Triangular Athletic Match

On Sunday

The Hongkong University Athletic Club will be the host to the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Club and the South China Athletic Association at Pokfulam on Sunday in the first match of an annual triangular series for the Norman Phillips Shield. The Shield has been presented by the HKAAC.

There will also be a triangular girls' match between the University Athletic Club, South China AA and King George V School.

The events will be the 100 Yards, 220 Yards, 440 Yards, 880 Yards, One Mile, 120 Yards and 220 Yards Hurdles, High Jump, Long Jump, Hop, Step and Jump, Shot Put, Discus Throw and Javelin Throw, and for the girls, 100 Yards, 220 Yards, High Jump and Long Jump. There will be a men's One Mile Relay and a girls' 440 Yards Relay.

A new event to most of those taking part will be the 200 Yards Hurdles. With a new hop, step and jump board being sunk, it is quite probable that the University pit will see a new Colony record in this event on Sunday.

Many of the Colony's leading athletes will be seen in action, among them Stephen Xavier, Chen Wal-chuen, a Neville Hughes, Ng Chun-wai and many others.

Work To Start Soon

On Melbourne's Olympic Village

Melbourne, Apr. 1. Work is to start in mid-April on the creation of an Olympic village in the Melbourne suburb of Heidelberg for the 1956 Olympic Games. This project, to cost A\$2,000,000, is to be used as a housing site after the games. — Press Photo.

HOLLYWOOD HEADLINES

"The Purple Plain" Seems To Have Been Dogged By Bad Luck

By JENNIFER JOHNS

Hollywood.

Among the pictures affected by the strike in Britain's film studios (a strike which looks like putting nearly 5,000 studio staff out of work) is "The Purple Plain," an adaptation of the novel by Mr H. E. Bates. Ever since filming began on location in Ceylon, "The Purple Plain" seems to have been dogged by bad luck. The novel deals with adventures on an air strip in Burma during World War II but, for the film, Ceylon was chosen because it made for more amenable working conditions—and it also had a convenient air strip near the spot where Paramount recently shot "Elephant Walk." The air strip, however, was about the only convenience that turned up.

The RAF co-operated by assigning actual personnel to the location, plus three mosquito bombers complete with jungle camouflage. Within days of the arrival of the equipment, however, a belated tropical down-pour flooded the area and an "ideal" dried-up river bed became a raging torrent.

Work had to be packed up and then the sun came out—so viciously that it quickly withered the "prop" banana trees and coconut palms. Which meant constant replacements of the trees with prefabricated "forests" and vegetation.

Then one of the players suffered sunstroke after a scene in which he had water poured on his back under another player. Within hours another player injured a knee in a fight with Gregory Peck.

Finally, three weeks behind schedule, the shooting began in February. The only bright spots were Mr Peck, who enjoyed the rain and succumbed to only a minor cold in the weather contrasts, and a plaster lion which even local villagers agreed was almost as good as the real thing.

It turned out to be so good, in fact, that when it was no longer needed and the RAF tried to dynamite it, its head survived. Which should make a perfect puzzle for future archaeological expeditions!

SEARCH FOR SCARLETT

There is a search on for a new Scarlett O'Hara. The man searching is David Selznick who means that he needs another Vivien Leigh. I would suggest Audrey Hepburn. . . . Meanwhile, Rex Harrison is apparently the current choice for a re-make of "The Scarlet Pimpernel." He is also backed for a lead in the film version of "Bell, Book and Candle" to be filmed in London with Jennifer Jones.

I hear that Zoltan Korda is hoping to get Jean Simmons and Stewart Granger together for "The King's Journey." I know there would be trouble. Fans are now returning Marilyn Di Maggio's autographed photo back to her studio with requests that she continue signing as "Marilyn Monroe."

It is just 12 years since Alan Ladd married and the union is still going strong and happy. Twelve years ago Mr Ladd was warned by his studio that marriage would hurt his career. Today Alan's popularity has never been greater.

A new record has just been broken by Arlene Dahl who claims that she is the only woman to wear rubber-all-over next to her skin. The wardrobe department has just made her skin-tight rubber costumes which she will wear under her dress for her sequence in "Bengal Rites." Arlene will need the lingerie. She will spend the greater part of four consecutive days immersed up to her neck in swamp water.

MASS PRODUCTION

An experiment to mass produce films in an effort to halt rising production costs is, I hear, about to begin in Italy. A new Italian film company is to produce three full-length adventure films in colour—simultaneously. The stars, producers and technical crews will be the same in each film.

A carefully planned shooting schedule with cut out expensive stunts, wasting time between scenes, avoid idle days due to weather, etc.

RUSSIAN HOLLYWOOD

There is news of a new challenge to Hollywood—from an unexpected quarter. Russian papers which have just been translated here reveal that Moscow has just begun to build the largest movie studios in Russian history—complete with all the latest gadgets.

This, after years during which the Russians have been laboriously deriding Hollywood for its stress on the "colossal" and "gigantic." The new studios will be called the "Bolshevik Studios" and will have facilities for turning out as many as 40 feature films (and in colour too) every year.

There will be 13 different sound stages which will enable 13 movies to be "shot" simultaneously. An ingenious idea will provide a series of "nature scene" studios. Which means that the studios will have an outdoors indoors so enabling Moscow directors to shoot outdoor winter scenes in summer and vice versa.

Every studio will be air-conditioned and will have "powerful" ventilation—no doubt to ensure that Russia's movie directors, not used to such luxuries, don't get too hot under the collar. As for the "sound" side of the stages, these will be a technical delight. Every one of the stages will be shielded against outside noises and there will be vast "orchestra rooms" to provide the necessary background music.

All in all, it would seem that the idea is to make the Lenin Hills section of South-west Moscow into the Beverly Hills of Russia.

The only snag would appear to be that there won't be any Marilyn Monroes. The first films to be shot will recall the US stories of three Communist leaders (including Stalin) and these will be followed by a determined programme of "Hate America!" films. Perhaps Hollywood isn't being threatened after all!

BETTE RETURNING

Bette Davis returns to Hollywood in June for the "Sir Walter Raleigh" picture at Twentieth Fox. Mr Bates will be there too. As the gallant Sir Walter.

Greer Garson, asked to write her autobiography, commented: "For heaven's sake no. I haven't started to live yet!" It has been said that the only time that Bette Davis wears a hat, is when she gets married. George Sanders looks like being all set for the Emperor role in "Julius Caesar" with Katharine Williams and Howard Keel. . . . Clark Gable, a convert to Europe, says that he just can't wait to return to Paris.

JACK PETTIFORD TO JOIN KENT

By BRUCE HARRIS

Kent's cricket side—bottom but one last season—will be strengthened in the coming season by a notable Australian recruit in Jack Pettiford. His engagement is made possible because the new rule restricting such recruiting is not retrospective.

He has already been "specially registered," and though a contract has not yet been signed, there is every likelihood that it will be.

Pettiford is a fine all-rounder who played for New South Wales against the MCC side in Sydney in 1946 as a batsman and leg spin bowler; at that time he was on the fringe of the Australian side. He came to England to play for Nelson in the Lancashire League.

Under a badly needed new rule adopted last month, an overseas player cannot be "specially registered" until he has lived in England ten years, he cannot qualify by residence for a county under three years,

during which time he must play all his cricket there.

Here is an end to cases like that of Bruce Dooland, Australian who was able to play League cricket in Lancashire until he qualified for Nottingham 172 wickets in his first season.

Dooland's county captain, R. T. Simpson, tells me that while he agrees with the new regulation, the influx of cricketers from overseas had improved the standard of play during the rebuilding period after the war.

Maybe, but it is high time the manufacture of synthetic teams was stopped. Let us have all-English county sides.

Among the players saved for various counties by contracts already existing are Roy Marshall, West Indian who will play for Hampshire in 1955; Colin McCool, Australian Test bowler, who will be a true-blue man of Somerset in 1956; and Alan Walker, New South Wales fast bowler, who will be in the Nottingham side in 1955. Lancashire already have Ken Grieves, but do not intend to seek out other overseas players of different races entertaining Saturday afternoon crowds in club cricket.

(London Express Service)

SHEK-O GOLF

The March Medal and Bogey pools at Shek-O Golf Club were well supported, there being 138 cards taken out.

The winners were: Bogey pool, "A" Section—P. V. Huyshe (6)—3 up and B. M. Baake (12)—3 up, tie. "B" Section—G. W. Jones (20)—3 up.

Medal pool, "A" Section—J. Dickson Lench (7)—nett 63. "B" Section—J. A. H. Saunders (14)—nett 64 and G. W. Jones (20)—nett 64, tie.

During April there will be three competitions held during the Easter holidays, and a flag competition on the 25th. All are open to ladies.

The return match against Fanning is being held at Fanning on the 11th, and members are reminded that the entry list closes next Sunday, the 4th.

LADIES' SECTION. Owing to the Memorial Service for the late Mrs. W. J. Stanton, which is being held on Thursday, April 8, the Ladies' Golf Meeting at Shek-O Country Club scheduled for that day has been postponed to Thursday, April 15.

HOCKEY QUIZ

Readers are invited to test their knowledge of hockey rules and the correct way to apply them by answering the four questions set out below.

1. How is it decided which player shall defend a penalty bully?

2. A player took a free hit from just outside the circle. The ball went straight to a goal post, and rebounded directly to him just inside the circle. He shot it into the goal. What is the decision?

3. If a measure is taken from the outer edge of the circle to the nearest edge of the goal line—measuring down the middle of the field—what should be the distance?

4. At what exact moment during a bully may another player cross the line on which it is being played?

Reps are to be forwarded to Major A.C.A. Walker (Hockey Umpires Board, HKHA), SOPT HQ Land Forces, Hongkong, not later than Wednesday, April 14.

The official answers, as given by the Secretary, International Hockey Board, will be published on Friday, April 16.

Swimmers Off To Formosa

A group of 11 Hongkong Chinese swimmers, accompanied by one coach and three advisers, and led by Mr Henry Hui, OBE, flew to Formosa by CAT plane yesterday to take part in a competition from which outstanding performers will be selected to represent Nationalist China in the forthcoming Asian Games.

The group, sponsored by the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation, is expected to return to the Colony within two weeks.

Lawn Bowls League To Open On May 8

There will be nine teams in the First Division, eight in the Second, and probably 10 in the Third Lawn Bowls League this year, it was announced at the Hongkong Lawn Bowls General Committee meeting held at the Board Room of the South China Morning Post, Ltd, yesterday.

Entries for the teams will be closed on April 12 and the League games will commence on Saturday, May 8, starting at 4 p.m.

It was also decided that there would be absolute promotion and relegation in League fixtures. About \$5,000 is needed for the fund for the Empire Games, to be held in England in July, this year, and it was suggested that each club raise \$500 toward the funds. A selection committee of seven for the Empire Games was elected. They were the President, Mr M. N. Rakusen, and Messrs J. A. Noronha, G. C. Norman, E. C. Fincher, U. A. Rumlahn, A. W. Hircok and C. P. Basto. It was announced that the selected players must be of British nationality.

Messrs W. Hong—Shing (C.C.C.), A. M. Souza (Recreio) and C. Wilcox (P.R.C.) were elected to the Management Committee.

It was also decided that the League Management Committee would hold a meeting on Thursday, April 15, at Club Lusitano where the closing date of entries, and commencing date of the tournaments for the Colony championships would be decided. It was further revealed that the U. M. Omar Memorial Trophy would be presented in the Open Rink competition.

With regard to the Esplan Cup, a United Kingdom competition which will be held in July in Vancouver, it was decided that names of those British players who will go on home leave be submitted to the Tournament Committee in Vancouver not later than April 12.

Following are the entries of the Lawn Bowls League for this year.

First Division—Club de Recreio (two teams), C.C.C. FC, PRC, KBCG, KCC, KDC and PRC.

Second Division—Recreio, HKCC, HKFC, MC, KBCG, KCC, Tai Koo and USRC.

Third Division—Recreio, C.C.C. FC, HKCC, MC, PRC and USRC. HKCC, HKFC and KCC will probably have one team each entering the Third Division League games.

ODDS ON OLSON NOW 2-1

Chicago, Apr. 1. Odds favouring Carl (Bobo) Olson to keep his middleweight crown in Friday night's fight with Welterweight Champion Kid Gavilan lengthened today from 7-5 to 2-1, apparently because of persistent reports that Gavilan may have a "bad right hand." — United Press.

DGS GAMES AFTERNOON

A Games Afternoon has been arranged for members of the Diocesan Old Girls' Association at the DGS tomorrow, starting at 2 p.m.

An "Old Girls' v Present Girls" hockey match will be the main event. Tea will be served, and all members are welcome.

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Sails			
"PATROCLUS"	Liverpool & Glasgow	5th Apr.	6th Apr.
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"ANTIOCHUS"	Liverpool & Dublin	23rd Apr.	24th Apr.
"CYCLOPS"	Genoa, Rotterdam, Amsterdam, London & Hamburg	24th Apr.	25th Apr.
"PERSEUS"	Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow	5th May	6th May

Scheduled Sailings from Europe

Sails			
Loads			
Sails			
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G. "ANTIOCHUS"	Liverpool	Rotterdam	Hong Kong
G. "CYCLOPS"	do	do	7th Apr.
G. "PERSEUS"	do	do	13th Apr.
G. "LAOMEDON"	do	do	24th Apr.
G. "ANCHISES"	do	do	2nd May
G. "CLYTHEUS"	3rd Apr.	do	8th May
G. "TYRHIUS"	7th Apr.	13th Apr.	14th May
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By Order of the Board of Directors,
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31st March, 1954.

NOTICE

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Centenary Dinner

Ex-Members attending the dinner are reminded that it will take place at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club on Friday, 2nd April, 1954, at 8 p.m.

It is also notified that the Cricket Match against the H.K.V.D.C. (pre-war) is on Sunday, 4th April, 1954, at the Hongkong Cricket Club, commencing at 11.30 a.m.

American Psychologists Disagree With Freud

San Francisco, Apr. 1.

University of California psychologists have decided there is no difference between the sexes as far as their response to visual perception tests are concerned.

This conclusion, reached by Dr. Irving Morton Goldstein of the University of California, is in conflict with the theories of Sigmund Freud who believed that certain symbols and designs were characteristically male or female.

Dr. Goldstein declares, however, that there is no distinct male or female way of seeing a design as long as the subject is not aware that he or she is being tested for a reaction peculiar to one sex.

This awareness may be the cause of the errors based on the Freud theories, he believes. Dr. Goldstein studied 100 subjects, who were merely told that they were being tested for their ability to see a very vague design on an intricately patterned background. They were not informed that the aim of the test was to discover whether they were strongly masculine or strongly feminine.

The subjects, divided equally among males and females, were shown slides for a short period and asked to select the symbols which they saw in the projection from among four designs in their test booklets.

Then they were asked to choose the design which most appealed to them. The test booklets were marked according to the frequency with which each design was selected by men and women respectively.

When the results of both the personality assessment and the visual perception tests were compared, Dr. Goldstein discovered that men and women "saw" the same designs with the same frequency, and in the same respect, they liked the same ones best.

Dr. Goldstein noted the unusual degree of consistency in his findings—men and women made the same choice with the same frequency, even when the slide contained no design whatsoever.—China Mail Special.

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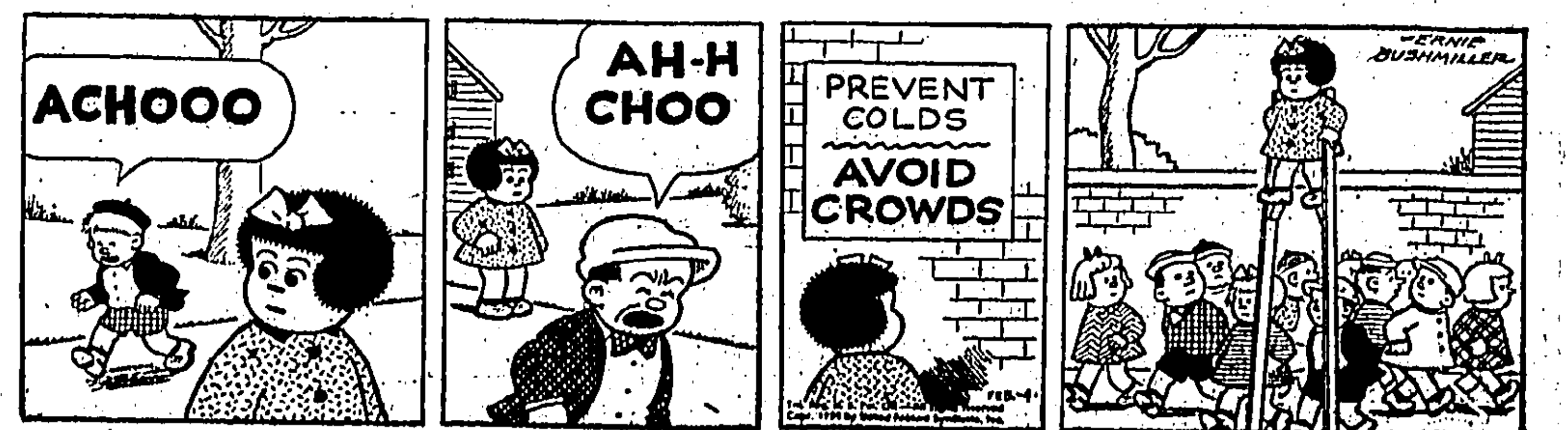
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Britain Wants More Tourists

A bent - the - Coronation-year drive to get dollar visitors here this summer has started, according to London reports.

New official British travel offices are being opened. Offices to be opened early next month in Frankfurt will have a double purpose. They will tell Germans of the attractions of Britain and encourage American Servicemen and women to spend their leaves in Britain.

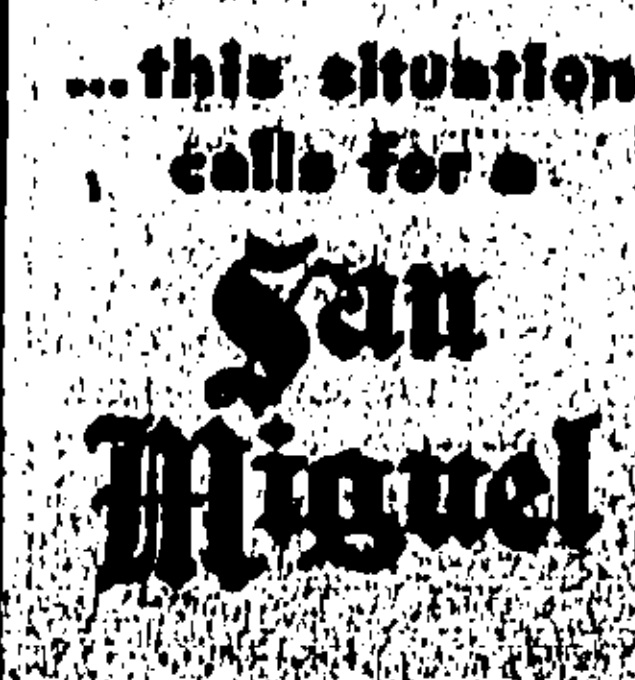
"Sir Alexander Maxwell, chairman of the British Travel Association, just back from the United States, said: 'Tourists brought more than 100 million dollars to this country from America last year. I believe we can increase the number of Americans coming here by 10 per cent this year.'"

Soon a colour poster of a joint of beef will be appearing in American cities.

"For the first time, we are in a position to tell Americans that they can get 'the roast beef of Old England' almost anywhere," said Sir Alexander. —London Express Service.

Denmark To Have NATO Air Bases

Copenhagen, Apr. 1. The Danish Government has dropped its opposition to the construction of two North Atlantic Treaty Organisation air bases in Denmark, authoritative sources said today. Work will resume on the construction of two secondary bases — fully operative for military purposes but without certain administrative facilities. The bases will be situated near Aalborg and at Skovbo.



Queen Mother And Princess Margaret At The Races



Princess Margaret in a full length fur coat and close-fitting hat, and Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, also with a fur, walking to the paddock on the first day of the Grand Military Meeting at Sandown Park recently. — Central Press.

The English Language In India—To Be Or Not To Be?

Bombay, Mar. 31.

A controversy is raging in India today over the future role of the English language in the country.

While advocates of English state "English is ours: it is not a foreign language," its opponents declare that the "craze for the continuance of English is a slavish mentality left behind by alien rulers."

Nowhere is the controversy more heated than in the cosmopolitan city of Bombay where a recent state Government order to schools prohibits the admission of pupils whose mother tongue is not English to schools where the medium of instruction is English.

The President of the Bombay Congress Committee, Mr. S. K. Patil, has called this order the "stillest thing under the sun."

Opponents of English, who number among them Bombay's Chief Minister, Mr. Morarji Desai, are in favour of replacing English by Hindi or regional languages as speedily as possible, in Parliament, in Universities and schools and as the language of the administration.

English today holds undisputed sway in the Central and State Parliaments and in the Courts of Law throughout India, as well as being the language in which all official administration is carried on.

It is the medium of instruction in the Universities and in the majority of schools.

It is also the official language of the Army, Navy and the Air Force.

Much of India's commerce and trade is also conducted in English.

Mr. Morarji Desai recently said that English as a language was correctly understood and spoken by about two per cent of the people of India.

People's Language

"This makes it all the more necessary to have Hindi as a common language, the language understood by the mass of the people throughout the country," he added. "Posterity will not forgive us if, after political independence, we fail to evolve a 'lingua franca'. India has a People's Government and it must have a people's language. That is the correct approach to the problem. There is no force or compulsion in this regard," he added.

India's Minister for Information and Broadcasting, Dr. B.V. Keshkar, has said that the basic defect of the present educational system in the country could be traced to the medium of instruction in English.

"For the past 150 years, we have been utilising English as a medium of our higher education. When it was first introduced it might have served the purpose of bringing us into contact with the outside world but it has on the other hand crippled the growth of Indian languages and therefore of Indian thought and culture," he said.

"This cultural subservitude to a foreign country is most damaging to the growth of our personality and the development of our thoughts."

Bombay's Education Minister, Mr. Dinkarrao Dote, has said that from the point of view of Indian civilisation and culture, the craze for the continuance of English represents "a slavish mentality" left behind by alien rulers.

The Governor of Uttar Pradesh, Mr. K.M. Munshi, in a broadcast on "The Future of English," said: "History has placed in our hands a powerful weapon for spreading India's message throughout the world. We would betray our ancient heritage and future destiny if we were to allow it to rust. Today, English is ours; with it we can make ourselves felt throughout the world. It would, therefore, be criminal to ignore or neglect English in this country," he declared.

Mr. Munshi admitted that English could not in the future be what it was in the past, because India's cultural and political future depended upon Hindi as the national language.

He urged that there should be "progressive displacement" of English by Hindi. This was not the same thing as saying that English should be replaced forthwith, irrespective of the consequences.

"In whatever hurry we may be to eliminate English, the Indian constitution, while giving Hindi the status of an official language, allows it 15 years to grow to that stage; we should not forget the value of English in the immediate present, nor its importance in shaping our future. English today is a powerful unifying factor in our national life; the language of administration at a higher level, of law and scholarship, of inter-regional and international intercourse," he said.

It was through English that India maintained the high level of her intellectual and scientific training and achievement. India's intercourse with the whole world depended upon English, and so did her ambition to secure speedy intellectual, scientific and literary advancement.

The legal standard in the country had depended upon the law literature of the Anglo-Saxon world.

"I cannot imagine any Supreme Court Judge—with great respect of course—delivering judgment in Hindi with the same accuracy of thought and expression as in English for a considerable time to come," said Mr. Munshi.

The President of Bombay Congress Committee, Mr. S.K. Patil, has said: "The English position is one of our national possessions; of which we ought to be proud. In our struggle for liberation, it was this language which provided a cementing force."

Mr. Patil added: "Even today resolutions of all parties including the Indian National Congress are conceived, discussed and drafted primarily in English, before translation into other languages." — Reuter.

Operation "Native Son" Attracts The Fan Mail

Wiesbaden, Germany, Apr. 1.

The postman brings about 100 letters a day to the headquarters here of the United States Air Force in Europe from men and women wanting to join its expanding civilian "ground staff." The letters come from Britain, Norway, Italy, Spain, and Iceland. Staff officers here are making an Air Force economy drive to replace about 10,500 Americans in administrative and maintenance jobs in camps in Britain, France, West Germany, Austria, and West Morocco by the end of June.

The scheme, dubbed "Native Son," is intended to free airman for more important work, giving the force greater striking power at less cost. Many of the letters are from people who want to go abroad. But their chances are dim, for the Air Force is seeking people who will work at the camps nearest their homes.

Drivers, mechanics, carpenters, plumbers, warehousemen, storekeepers, clerks, typists and stenographers are being engaged. The German and American civilians whom they replace return to the United States ready to man new Air Force wings.

FIRST GOAL

This scheme began in November and the Air Force aimed at engaging 2,400 civilians by the end of last year. It is hoped to raise the number to about 5,500 by the end of March.

Officers said that if the present recruiting rate continued, they thought the whole 5,500 would have been found by June.

Lieutenant General William H. Tunner, 47-year-old Commander-in-Chief of the United States Air Force in Europe, who commanded the Allied Task Force which flew supplies into Berlin during the 1948-49 Soviet blockade, said: "We like the programme and are very happy we have been able to go ahead with it. I think it is coming along satisfactorily."

He said it would enable the Air Force to use as many Americans as possible in combat units and also make for "continuity" in the support and supply units by retaining Americans who stay in Europe, only 15 or 20 months by a "permanent civilian staff." — China Mail Special.

Quiet Week On Hongkong Share Market

By A Special Correspondent

The Hongkong Stock Exchange passed through one of its quietest weeks of the year this week. Prices of utility shares eased slightly yesterday as investors held off awaiting lower rates, leaving the market as a whole quietly steady.

Banks slipped from the high levels of last week through an increase in scrip available and lack of buying interest. Brokers reported they had to split big parcels of Banks and Unions to get rid of the shares.

The spotlight turned away from utilities—with, perhaps, the exception of Yau Ma Tei Ferries—and focussed on two sections which have drifted into a backwater in recent months. They were rubbers and Shanghai shares.

The Shanghai shares can be disposed of quickly. It will be noticed that both the buyers' rates of Docks and Lands have crept up in the last month. Docks from \$1.10 on February 26 to \$1.35 yesterday and Lands from \$1.10 on February 26 to a sale yesterday afternoon at \$1.50.

Brokers say this can be nothing more than wishful thinking in the extreme. There is certainly no news to justify any interest. Two rubber shares—Amalgamated Rubber and Rubber Trust—have also risen in the last month and this undoubtedly due to better rates ruling at the Singapore sales. Yesterday rubber sold for 57½ cents a pound which is almost a 10 per cent increase on the rates ruling in February.

Amalgamated Rubber, 85 cents on February 26 was selling yesterday at between 92-94 cents and Rubber Trust is up 50 cents to \$1.50 over the same period.

Brokers feel this interest is not likely to be sustained in view of the statement of the retiring Chairman of the Rubber Growing Association, Mr. P. L. Cogan in London earlier this week that "the short term outlook for rubber was not too encouraging."

I said earlier "the spotlight focussed..." A pretty way light it was at that.

There was some activity in Yau Ma Tei yesterday on rumours of a bonus issue shortly.

SATISFIED INVESTORS

In the utilities' section one broker said the dullness was because "investors seem satisfied with what they got last month."

A number of dividends were raised, the balance sheets and future prospects thoroughly analysed; the very mysteries which keep interest alive in this section of the share market have been bared and ruthlessly exposed. Illusion is now reality. In short, there's no fun in it for the time being.

However good the prospects may be for issues like Lights, Electricity and Telephone, with the prices of their "commodities" controlled, their future earnings are somewhat a stereotyped and restricted, by this limiting factor.

Which brings the to Lands. For although this share suffers the same limitations with rent controls on existing buildings there is, theoretically, no limit to the height rents may go for rooms in buildings now under construction. Practically, of course, there is a ceiling but this is dictated more by obligation than by obligation, with a little apprehension as to the public's reaction to overhigh rental charges.

This comparative freedom in determining new rentals has undoubtedly helped Hongkong Lands and is responsible for the current interest in the share, now at \$63. It has not stopped rising since the new issue terms were announced last month and there is nothing on the horizon which threatens to check its present firmness.

To this extent, the demand this week was selective. Brokers feel there will be little renewal of interest in utilities until, say, Electric come down to \$31 or lower and Trams to \$28.

NO ANXIOUS SELLERS

However there are certainly no anxious sellers at the moment with utilities yielding between six and seven per cent.

There was an apparent trend away from Banks on the local market. "Bankers' (Bank of China, Bank of Communications, etc.)" were quoted as selling at 23½ yesterday as against 23½ a week ago. No one, however, would want to sell at 23½ but even from an investment

Japan Building Bicycles In Pakistan

Tokyo, Apr. 1. A joint Japan-Pakistan plan to build a bicycle plant at Dacca and Karachi is beginning to take shape. It was announced today. Mr. Reiji Konuma of the Dai Nippon Machinery Company and Mr. Yukiichi Tokuyama of the Nichibei Full Bicycle Company returned to Japan on March 27 from a series of talks with Pakistani Government officials. They also made an on-the-spot survey. The plan envisages a joint undertaking by Japanese machinery makers and the Pakistani Government. The Japan Bicycle Industry Association was first approached by Pakistan last summer with an offer to construct and operate two plants in Pakistan as a joint enterprise. — United Press.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

New York, Apr. 1.

Chemicals replaced aircraft today in the stock market spotlight, featuring a rise which boosted the increase in market value of all listed stocks to \$8,000,000 in the past five sessions.

Chemical stocks had gains ranging to more than 3 points.

Selected oil, steel, motor, electric equipment and a host of special industrial shares also moved up sharply.

Rails again performed better than they have recently, extending yesterday's sharp gains by a point or so in some issues. Aircraft, mainstays of the steady rise in industrial, were hit again by profit-taking which cut prices of recent leaders.

Boeing off 1½, Douglas off 1½, United Aircraft a point lower, Glenn Martin down ¾.

Martin again was the active leader and other aircrafts had also heavy turnover.

US Steel followed Martin in the active, rising ½ point to a new high at \$43.

CHEMICAL GAINS

Gains in the chemicals ranged to 3½ points in Hooker Electrochemical at \$71½.

Wall Street saw in the continued market strength reflection of increased optimism over the business outlook stemming in large part from the \$1,000,000,000 excise tax cut which went into effect today.

Of 1,185 issues traded, 647 were higher, with 122 at new highs for the year, and 290 lower, with eight touching new lows.

Turnover amounted to 2,270,000 shares, compared with 2,000,000 yesterday—heaviest volume since September 15 when the current advance got underway.

The NY Stock Exchange bond volume was \$3,510,000, and the American Stock Exchange volume was 540,000 shares.

Dow Jones closing averages were:

30 Industrials 308.27
20 rails 102.07
45 stocks 114.90
40 bonds 100.58
Com. future price index 181.88

— United Press.

New York Sugar Market

New York, Apr. 1.

World No. 4 sugar futures today closed unchanged to three points higher with sales of 206 contracts.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed unchanged to two points lower with sales of 323 contracts.

World futures steadied on trade buying and the other basis for raws.

Domestic futures were irregular in mixed dealings. Dealers said cane refiners at New York were unloading some raw sugar today, despite the waterfront strike.

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